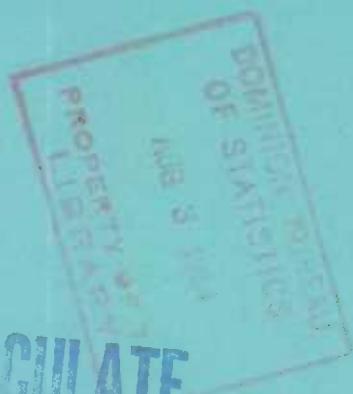




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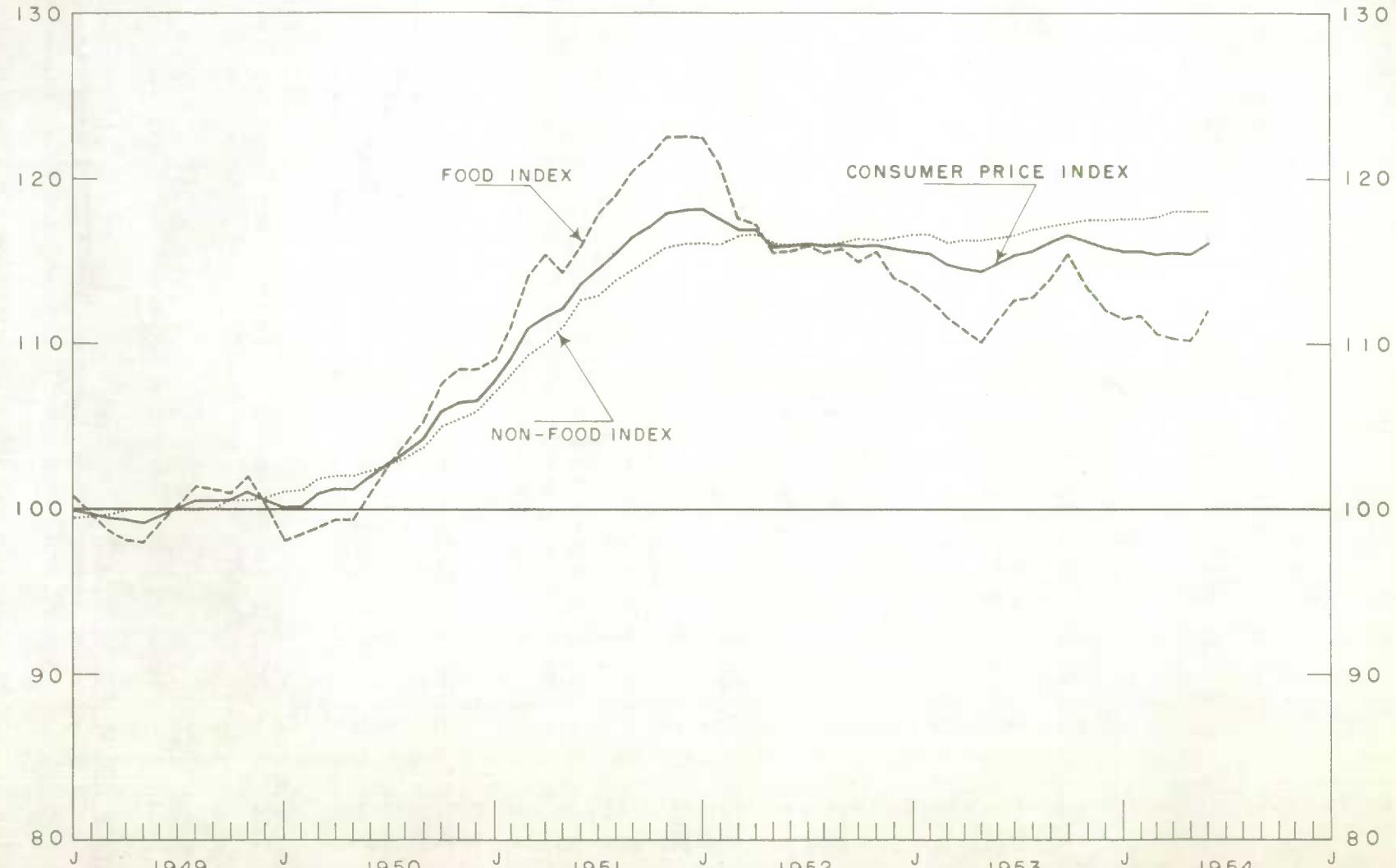
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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
TOTAL, FOOD AND NON-FOOD INDEXES
MONTHLY JANUARY 1949—JUNE 1954

1949 = 100

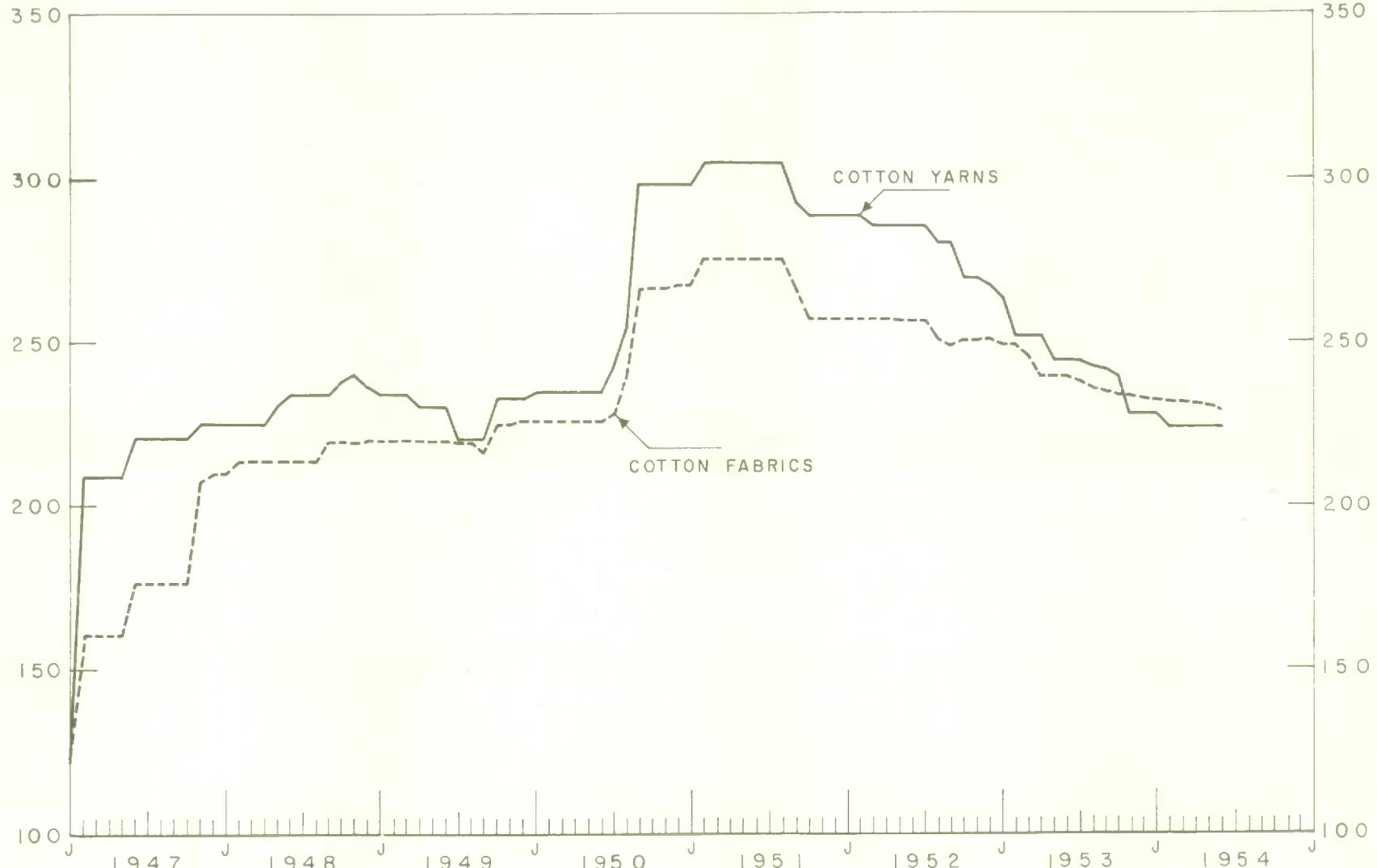
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WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES
INDEX NUMBERS OF COTTON YARNS AND COTTON FABRICS
MONTHLY, JANUARY 1947 - JUNE 1954

1935-39=100

1935-39=100



NOTES ON PRICE INDEX NUMBERSTHE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(1949 = 100)

The Consumer Price Index advanced 0.5 per cent from 115.5 to 116.1 between May 1 and June 1. This is a slightly larger rise than was recorded between the same dates in 1953. The latest change was almost entirely attributable to an advance of 1.6 per cent in the food index. Among other groups shelter was the only one to advance. The food index rose from 110.2 to 112.0 as higher prices were reported for a wide range of items, in particular, meats, fresh vegetables, fresh and canned fruits, and coffee. A number of food items were unchanged in price while some others, notably butter and chicken, were lower. The increase in shelter from 125.8 to 126.4 was due entirely to higher rents. Lower prices for nylon hosiery, combined with small scattered decreases among other clothing items, resulted in a decline of 0.2 per cent in the clothing index from 109.9 to 109.7. In the household operation group decreases for several electrical appliances, cotton sheets and garbage cans and seasonal declines for coal, were more than sufficient to offset increases in a number of services, cleaning supplies and furniture items and the index for this group fell from 117.3 to 117.1. No significant changes were reported in other commodities and services and the index for this group remained at 117.5.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES
(1935-1939 = 100)

Between May and June, 1954 the General Wholesale Price Index receded 0.2 per cent from 218.2 to 217.8. Recessions in vegetable products were mainly responsible for the decline, although non-metallic minerals and textile products also moved lower. The remaining five major groups recorded fractional percentage gains over May levels. The decline of 1.2 per cent on vegetable products, from 196.5 to 194.2, was in large measure a reflection of the reduction in western wheat prices which was publicly announced early in June. This decrease, which outweighed advances in western barley, oats and rye in the grains sub-group, was accompanied by lower prices for bran, shorts and flour. Linseed oil and raw sugar also contributed to the decline. Sub-group gains were registered for tea, coffee and cocoa; potatoes; fresh fruits; raw rubber; onions; and canned vegetables. Non-metallic minerals declined 0.3 per cent, from 176.7 to 176.2, in response to a general lowering of gasoline prices and a fractional percentage decline in sulphur resulting from slightly lower rates for the United States dollar in Canadian funds. The textile products index moved from 233.7 to 233.6, for a net loss of 0.04 per cent, as declines in raw cotton and cotton fabrics barely overbalanced advances in imported raw wool, worsted yarns and woollen cloth. An increase of 0.4 per cent in chemical products, from 175.9 to 176.6, was mainly due to higher prices for paint materials. Animal products moved up 0.2 per cent from 244.5 to 245.0, when increases in fresh meats and eggs proved of more importance than general decreases in cured meats, fishery products, livestock, milk and its products, lard and tallow, hides and leather footwear. Non-ferrous metals products advanced 0.2 per cent from 168.0 to 168.3, increases in zinc, lead, tin ingots and antimony outweighing decreases in copper, silver and gold. Increases in western fir and cedar lumber and cedar shingles raised the wood and paper products index 0.1 per cent from 286.2 to 286.4; small declines were registered for newsprint and woodpulp due to lower rates for the United States dollar. An increase of 0.04 per cent in iron products from 211.7 to 211.8 was due to an increase in galvanized steel sheets.

The index of Canadian farm products prices at terminal markets was unchanged in June from the May level of 209.6. This reflected a balancing of opposite tendencies in the field and animal products groups. Field products rose 0.5 per cent from 151.2 to 151.9, as advances in potatoes and western hay proved stronger than declines in flax, eastern grains and eastern hay. In the animal products group lower prices for livestock, chiefly eastern steers, calves and hogs, were mainly responsible for the decline of 0.3 per cent from 268.0 to 267.3. Western butterfat, cheese milk in both east and west, and eastern fresh milk also moved to lower levels; eggs and eastern butterfat were the only sub-groups to advance.

Residential building materials prices climbed 0.5 per cent from 275.9 to 277.4 between May and June. Of greatest importance was the increase in fir lumber which outweighed decreases in millwork. Cedar shingles, shellac, copper wire and galvanized steel sheets also moved higher. Plumbing and heating declined, due to lower prices for lead pipe and bathroom fixtures.

Prices of non-residential construction materials rose 0.1 per cent from 121.1 to 121.2 (1949 = 100). Increases in fir lumber, ready mixed concrete, copper wire, galvanized steel sheets and shellac outweighed decreases in stokers, oil burners, lead pipe, bathroom fixtures, millwork and linseed oil.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES
(1935-1939 = 100)

Common stock prices averaged slightly higher in June as the Investors' index for 99 issues changed from 179.5 in May to 180.5 in the month under review.

Weekly indexes, however, indicated a declining tendency; the composite index moved down from 182.0 for the week of May 27th to 179.9 for the week of June 24th.

Among the major groups strength was concentrated in utilities and banks, the index for the former advancing from 162.4 to 167.2 between May and June, while the series for the latter moved from 204.0 to 212.2. The group index for 79 industrials on the other hand receded from 181.0 to 180.4. Sub-group increases were relatively small, with the exception of the advances in industrial mines and transportation stocks. Lower indexes were recorded for oils, milling and machinery and equipment issues.

Mining stocks were steady as indicated by the composite index for 27 representative issues which changed from a May average of 89.4 to 90.0 in June. The base metals series advanced from 146.5 to 149.7, while the golds index declined from 64.4 to 63.9.

Moving in line with common stocks, preferred issues also were slightly firmer as the composite index moved up from 169.7 to 170.7 between May and June.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT PRICE MOVEMENTSTABLE 1. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES (1935-39=100)

Note: 1954 Wholesale Price Indexes are subject to revision.

	<u>INDEXES</u>				<u>PERCENTAGE CHANGES</u>		
					<u>June</u> <u>1954</u>	<u>June</u> <u>1954</u>	<u>June</u> <u>1954</u>
	<u>June</u> <u>1952</u>	<u>June</u> <u>1953</u>	<u>May</u> <u>1954</u>	<u>June</u> <u>1954</u>	<u>June</u> <u>1952</u>	<u>June</u> <u>1953</u>	<u>May</u> <u>1954</u>
<u>GENERAL INDEX</u>	226.3	221.5	218.2	217.8	- 3.8	- 1.7	- 0.2
Vegetable Products	212.4	197.4	196.5	194.2	- 8.6	- 1.6	- 1.2
Animal Products	245.7	247.6	244.5	245.0	- 0.3	- 1.1	+ 0.2
Textile Products	252.8	240.1	233.7	233.6	- 7.6	- 2.7	- 0.04
Wood Products	294.6	290.5	286.2	286.4	- 2.8	- 1.4	+ 0.1
Iron Products	218.2	220.6	211.7	211.8	- 2.9	- 4.0	+ 0.04
Non-ferrous Metals	171.5	168.6	168.0	168.3	- 1.9	- 0.2	+ 0.2
Non-metallic Minerals	173.3	176.4	176.7	176.2	+ 1.7	- 0.1	- 0.3
Chemical Products	177.9	176.4	175.9	176.6	- 0.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
<u>FARM PRODUCTS</u>	257.9	226.6	209.6	209.6	-18.7	- 7.5	-
Field	244.4	184.5	151.2	151.9	-37.8	-17.7	+ 0.5
Animal	271.4	268.7	268.0	267.3	- 1.5	- 0.5	- 0.3

WHOLESALE PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED COMMODITIESBETWEEN MAY AND JUNE 1954

	<u>INCREASES</u>	p.c.	<u>DECREASES</u>	p.c.
Potatoes, Winnipeg	41.0	Bran		19.6
Lambs, Winnipeg	25.3	Lard, Vancouver		14.0
Lamb carcass, Toronto	23.6	Linseed oil		12.5
Canned corn	15.0	Eggs, Grade B, Halifax		12.0
Beef carcass, cow, Montreal	14.3	Beef hides, packer, light steers		9.0
Eggs, Grade A Large, Toronto	12.6	Tallow, Toronto		7.1
Cedar shiplap	10.0	Bacon, Toronto		6.7
Shortening, Winnipeg	9.5	Calves, Toronto		5.9
Barley, No. 2 Feed	8.8	Canned peas		5.6
Shellac	7.7	Wheat, No. 1, Manitoba Northern		4.8
Bacon, Vancouver	6.9	Hay, Montreal		4.0
Oranges, Toronto	6.2	Cocoa beans, Accra		3.3
Zinc, Grade A electrolytic	5.6	Hogs, B 1, dressed, Winnipeg		3.0
Veal carcass, Winnipeg	5.4	Flour, Winnipeg		2.9
Bananas, Montreal	5.0	Barley, Ontario, good malting		2.5

TABLE 2. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1949=100)

	INDEXES					PERCENTAGE CHANGES			
	Aver-	Aver-	June	May	June	1953	June	June	
	age	age	1953	1954	1954	1952	1953	1954	
<u>TOTAL INDEX</u>	116.5	115.5	114.9	115.5	116.1	- 0.9	+ 1.0	+ 0.5	
Food	116.8	112.6	111.4	110.2	112.0	- 3.6	+ 0.5	+ 1.6	
Shelter	120.2	123.6	123.6	125.8	126.4	+ 2.8	+ 2.3	+ 0.5	
Clothing	111.8	110.1	110.1	109.9	109.7	- 1.5	- 0.4	- 0.2	
Household Operation	116.2	117.0	116.6	117.3	117.1	+ 0.7	+ 0.4	- 0.2	
Other Commodities and Services	116.0	115.8	115.1	117.5	117.5	- 0.2	+ 2.1	-	

RETAIL PRICE CHANGES FOR SELECTED ITEMS BETWEEN MAY AND JUNE 1954

	INCREASES		DECREASES	
	p.c.			p.c.
Celery	18.8	Chicken		3.2
Lettuce	14.5	Nylon hosiery		3.2
Turnips	13.3	Butter		2.7
Potatoes	12.9	Electric refrigerator		1.6
Carrots	12.1	Vacuum cleaner		1.4
Bananas	11.3	Electric stove		1.3
Onions	10.4	Coal		1.1
Pork, loin chops	6.0	Cotton sheets		0.7
Picnic shoulder	5.6	Canned corn		0.6
Round steak	5.5	Garbage can		0.6

TABLE 3. - SECURITY PRICE INDEXES (1935-39=100)

	INDEXES					PERCENTAGE CHANGES		
	June	June	May	June	June	June	June	June
	1952	1953	1954	1954	1952	1953	1954	1954
<u>Total Investors' Index</u>	171.6	156.8	179.5	180.5	+ 5.2	+ 15.1	+ 0.5	
Total Industrials	174.8	155.5	181.0	180.4	+ 3.2	+ 16.0	- 0.3	
Machinery & Equipment	420.2	378.9	474.2	469.1	+ 11.6	+ 23.8	- 1.1	
Pulp & Paper	506.5	471.9	679.8	685.1	+ 35.3	+ 45.2	+ 0.8	
Milling	121.6	128.8	137.6	134.0	+ 10.2	+ 4.0	- 2.6	
Oils	157.4	127.4	147.6	142.8	- 9.3	+ 12.1	- 3.3	
Textiles & Clothing	268.2	217.6	153.2	151.4	- 43.5	- 30.4	- 1.2	
Foods	101.5	118.3	133.0	136.8	+ 34.8	+ 15.6	+ 2.9	
Beverages	357.9	388.1	476.4	474.5	+ 32.6	+ 22.3	- 0.4	
Building Materials	268.4	270.7	322.8	321.7	+ 19.9	+ 18.8	- 0.3	
Industrial Mines	138.7	116.5	118.9	123.8	- 10.7	+ 6.3	+ 4.1	
Total Utilities	168.1	157.5	162.4	167.2	- 0.5	+ 6.2	+ 3.0	
Transportation	388.6	296.0	274.6	301.6	- 22.4	- 1.9	+ 9.8	
Telephone	91.7	101.4	110.1	110.5	+ 20.5	+ 9.0	+ 0.4	
Power and Traction	138.4	140.9	152.6	151.8	+ 9.7	+ 7.7	- 0.5	
Banks	146.6	168.4	204.0	212.2	+ 44.7	+ 26.0	+ 4.0	
<u>Mining Stocks</u>								
General Index	102.0	90.2	89.4	90.0	- 11.8	- 0.2	+ 0.7	
Golds	75.5	66.8	64.4	63.9	- 15.4	- 4.3	- 0.8	
Base Metals	162.6	143.7	146.5	149.7	- 7.9	+ 4.2	+ 2.2	

TABLE 4. - PRINCIPAL WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES
(1935-39 = 100)

Date	General Whole- sale Price Index	Raw and Partly Manu- factured	Fully and Chiefly Manu- factured	Indus- trial Mate- rials	Canadian Farm Products (1)			
					Field	Animal	Total	
1913	83.4	85.1	86.2	-	-	-	-	
1920	203.2	194.7	208.2	-	-	-	-	
1926	130.3	129.1	133.0	144.3	158.5	130.2	144.4	
1929	124.6	126.1	123.7	132.8	137.2	144.4	140.8	
1933	87.4	79.3	93.3	78.3	69.3	69.2	69.3	
1938	102.0	99.4	103.5	95.8	100.9	104.8	102.9	
1939	99.2	94.9	101.9	99.0	83.7	101.5	92.6	
1940	108.0	103.1	109.9	113.3	85.4	106.7	96.1	
1941	116.4	114.4	118.8	125.2	88.9	124.4	106.6	
1942	123.0	123.0	123.7	135.1	109.7	144.6	127.1	
1943	127.9	131.1	126.9	140.0	129.0	161.8	145.4	
1944	130.6	134.4	129.1	143.1	144.5	166.1	155.3	
1945	132.1	136.2	129.8	143.2	162.5	170.2	166.4	
1946	138.9	140.1	138.0	148.6	177.9	181.2	179.5	
1947	163.3	164.3	162.4	187.0	184.1	200.2	192.2	
1948	193.4	196.3	192.4	222.7	200.6	263.7	232.1	
1949	198.3	197.1	199.2	218.0	191.9	265.4	228.7	
1950	211.2	212.8	211.0	244.6	191.9	281.4	236.7	
1951	240.2	237.9	242.4	296.1	200.4	336.9	268.6	
1952	226.0	218.7	230.7	252.6	223.0	277.5	250.2	
1953	220.7	207.0	228.8	232.3	175.1	263.8	219.5	
1953	Jan.	221.5	209.3	228.7	240.2	201.6	266.4	234.0
	Feb.	221.1	208.0	228.8	238.4	196.6	263.1	229.9
	Mar.	221.9	209.9	229.2	237.5	191.9	264.3	228.1
	Apr.	219.5	205.6	227.8	232.9	187.6	255.8	221.7
	May	220.0	206.4	228.2	234.2	185.2	263.2	224.2
	June	221.5	207.2	230.2	234.0	184.5	268.7	226.6
	July	221.0	207.2	229.3	231.7	187.7	265.3	226.5
	Aug.	222.2	210.1	229.7	231.4	157.2	269.9	213.6
	Sept.	221.2	207.1	229.8	228.8	154.0	263.7	208.9
	Oct.	220.4	205.0	228.8	227.0	151.7	265.3	208.5
	Nov.	218.7	203.3	228.0	225.8	151.7	258.0	204.9
	Dec.	219.0	204.4	227.6	225.8	151.9	261.6	206.8
1954	Jan.	219.8	206.5	227.8	224.1	152.5	266.3	209.4
	Feb.	219.0	205.1	227.3	223.6	152.9	264.7	208.8
	Mar.	218.6	204.3	226.9	222.8	151.3	262.0	206.7
	Apr.	217.9	205.7	225.1	223.9	150.6	260.4	205.5
	May.	218.2	207.5	224.5	224.2	151.2	268.0	209.6
	June	217.8	206.7	224.5	223.9	151.9	267.3	209.6

(1) See Prices and Price Indexes, May 1953, Table 21 for Canadian Farm Products Indexes, August 1945-July 1952. Indexes subsequent to July 1953 are subject to revision. Please see note, Page 32.

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL
(1935-39 = 100)

- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS -

Date	General Whole- Sale Index	Total	Live							
		Vege- table	Grains	Milled Cereal	Stock Foods	Bakery Poultry	Fruits, and ducts	Fruits, Fresh	Fruits, Dried	Canned
	Pro- ducts									
1953 Average ..	220.7	199.0	201.0	200.3	211.7	182.5	149.8	174.7	145.4	
1953 Apr.	219.5	197.3	199.9	196.4	229.3	177.0	142.8	176.5	141.1	
May	220.0	197.4	200.8	197.0	229.3	177.0	150.3	176.5	141.1	
June	221.5	197.4	199.4	207.7	206.6	177.0	158.7	175.1	141.1	
July	221.0	198.8	197.2	206.1	197.8	188.0	155.9	174.6	143.9	
Aug.	222.2	201.9	211.0	203.7	205.3	188.0	147.3	175.2	149.0	
Sept.	221.2	199.6	208.6	203.6	207.2	188.0	155.9	175.2	151.2	
Oct.	220.4	196.8	201.8	201.3	198.9	188.0	145.6	175.5	151.2	
Nov.	218.7	196.1	197.6	199.5	187.6	188.0	153.7	175.6	151.2	
Dec.	219.0	197.7	196.1	199.2	189.9	188.0	149.5	168.5	149.7	
1954 Jan.	219.8	201.3	197.0	198.8	200.2	188.0	151.3	170.3	151.8	
Feb.	219.0	200.6	193.1	197.4	219.5	188.0	158.9	173.3	151.8	
Mar.	218.6	199.6	189.2	195.4	211.9	188.0	173.3	173.3	154.0	
Apr.	217.9	196.0	190.2	147.0	238.3	188.0	170.1	173.8	156.1	
May	218.2	196.5	190.2	146.8	219.5	188.0	171.9	173.6	158.2	
June	217.8	194.2	183.5	143.7	191.4	188.0	179.1	173.6	158.2	

- VEGETABLE PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Vege- table Oils and Pro- ducts	Rubber and Its Pro- ducts	Sugar and Its Pro- ducts	Tea				Canned Vege- tables	Raw Leaf To- bacco	
				Coffee	Pota- toes	Onions				
1953 Average ..	297.4	176.8	162.1	356.3	171.8	209.7	181.1	172.7		
1953 Apr.	304.2	176.8	162.1	343.2	162.5	224.8	175.5	172.5		
May	301.6	178.2	163.5	339.4	147.8	212.7	175.5	172.5		
June	289.9	176.8	163.8	342.7	153.1	212.7	175.5	172.4		
July	281.0	175.5	163.8	358.2	196.8	252.1	175.5	172.0		
Aug.	279.9	175.1	162.2	367.7	167.9	161.2	177.0	171.7		
Sept.	278.3	175.0	156.9	355.6	137.0	138.9	177.0	171.7		
Oct.	290.4	172.7	154.2	355.2	125.8	124.4	177.0	171.7		
Nov.	297.3	172.3	152.5	371.2	122.2	126.2	177.0	171.7		
Dec.	293.8	172.5	152.5	401.3	120.2	115.5	169.0	178.3		
1954 Jan.	293.6	171.7	152.5	453.8	121.0	123.5	169.0	178.6		
Feb.	288.5	171.2	152.5	453.2	123.3	121.0	169.0	178.6		
Mar.	275.4	173.4	149.6	470.4	113.6	112.8	166.0	178.6		
Apr.	274.8	171.4	151.1	477.2	113.0	120.9	166.0	178.6		
May.....	271.8	171.8	150.8	491.0	118.5	136.8	166.0	181.0		
June	268.8	172.5	150.6	497.4	132.4	138.5	166.1	181.0		

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
(1935-39 = 100)

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -

Date		Total Animal Products	Fishery Products	Raw Furs	Hides and Skins	Leather, Unmanu- factured	Boots and Shoes	Live- stock	Steers
1953	Average ..	241.7	259.4	99.3	154.2	213.1	204.5	288.1	323.5
1953	Apr.	234.4	257.4	97.8	156.7	211.8	202.7	275.8	326.3
	May	239.3	255.9	104.4	160.2	213.9	204.8	291.5	321.2
	June	247.6	254.4	104.4	158.5	217.3	204.8	298.3	317.8
	July	243.5	257.9	98.8	155.9	212.5	205.5	287.7	312.0
	Aug.	247.8	258.9	98.8	157.9	212.5	205.5	296.6	317.9
	Sept.	245.6	259.6	98.8	160.2	212.5	205.5	285.0	302.3
	Oct.	246.5	260.9	98.8	147.1	212.5	205.5	283.6	294.0
	Nov.	239.0	256.9	98.8	148.7	213.2	205.8	276.4	305.1
	Dec.	239.1	256.4	98.8	141.5	213.2	205.8	285.8	307.7
1954	Jan.	245.0	261.1	98.8	132.4	213.2	205.8	295.2	298.8
	Feb.	243.9	260.6	92.5	128.3	213.2	205.8	292.6	287.4
	Mar.	242.1	260.4	92.5	123.5	213.2	204.8	289.6	288.9
	Apr.	240.9	263.6	90.3	119.4	206.9	204.8	292.5	297.9
	May	244.5	256.6	93.7	124.5	209.0	204.3	305.0	316.9
	June	245.0	248.9	93.7	120.4	209.0	203.6	303.6	317.5

- ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Meats, Fresh	Beef and Veal Carcass	Meats, Fowl, Cured Dressed	Milk and Its Products	Oils and Fats	Eggs
1953	Average ..	292.5	318.6	236.7	220.1	228.0
1953	Apr.	290.9	331.9	198.4	247.0	226.3
	May	297.7	329.5	218.2	234.9	220.2
	June	319.9	344.2	247.4	234.9	221.2
	July	303.2	321.0	245.1	241.0	220.5
	Aug.	298.4	313.0	278.2	198.8	221.4
	Sept.	283.0	296.1	289.7	198.8	223.9
	Oct.	278.0	284.6	293.3	204.8	230.5
	Nov.	265.8	276.4	263.6	216.9	232.9
	Dec.	269.7	277.3	246.2	216.9	234.0
1954	Jan.	287.6	296.7	260.9	210.8	234.3
	Feb.	285.0	286.1	263.3	192.8	233.5
	Mar.	283.1	283.6	265.0	192.8	231.5
	Apr.	286.1	290.3	265.4	168.7	226.9
	May	297.9	303.5	277.5	162.7	221.6
	June	313.8	323.6	271.3	162.7	220.7
					220.0	150.9
						153.7

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
(1935-39 = 100)

- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS -

Date		Total Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	Raw Cotton	Cotton Yarn	Cotton Fabrics	Cotton Knit Goods	Miscellaneous Fibre Products	Silk and Nylon Thread	Rayon Fabrics
1953	Average	239.0	280.9	244.5	239.9	239.1	245.0	169.5	163.6
1953	Apr. ..	240.0	281.6	251.6	240.5	235.8	248.9	169.5	165.3
	May ..	239.6	286.4	244.6	240.5	244.1	248.9	169.5	165.3
	June ..	240.1	282.0	244.6	240.5	244.1	248.9	169.5	163.3
	July ..	239.1	287.6	244.6	238.7	244.1	238.3	169.5	163.3
	Aug. ..	237.9	282.0	243.0	236.3	244.1	238.3	169.5	163.3
	Sept. ..	237.9	279.7	242.2	235.4	244.1	238.3	169.5	163.3
	Oct. ..	237.2	277.2	239.9	234.3	244.1	238.3	169.5	163.3
	Nov. ..	236.1	277.8	228.6	234.1	230.5	242.6	169.5	160.3
	Dec. ..	235.0	276.2	228.6	233.1	230.5	240.8	169.5	160.3
1954	Jan. ..	234.5	279.9	228.6	232.6	230.5	240.8	169.5	160.3
	Feb. ..	233.3	287.2	224.7	232.1	224.9	240.8	169.5	160.3
	Mar. ..	233.1	286.1	224.7	232.1	224.9	240.8	169.5	160.3
	Apr. ..	233.3	289.0	224.7	231.7	224.5	239.7	169.5	158.3
	May. ..	233.7	290.9	224.7	231.1	224.5	239.7	169.5	158.3
	June ..	233.6	290.5	224.7	228.9	224.5	239.7	169.5	158.3

- FIBRES, TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS - Concluded

		Rayon Yarns	Raw Wool, Domestic	Raw Wool, Imported	Yarns, Worsted	Hosiery and Knit Goods, Chiefly Wool	Wool Blankets	Wool Cloth	Carpets
1953	Average	176.9	260.3	249.7	221.3	241.7	252.5	265.6	225.3
1953	Apr. ..	176.9	259.0	245.8	218.3	255.4	252.5	263.1	225.8
	May ..	176.9	268.3	250.4	217.3	234.8	252.5	268.2	225.8
	June ..	176.9	266.2	254.5	226.3	234.8	252.5	270.2	224.9
	July ..	176.9	266.2	258.6	223.7	234.8	252.5	268.2	224.9
	Aug. ..	176.9	258.8	258.6	223.7	234.8	252.5	268.2	224.9
	Sept. ..	176.9	251.4	254.5	234.0	234.8	252.5	268.2	224.9
	Oct. ..	176.9	252.5	261.5	228.5	234.8	252.5	268.5	224.9
	Nov. ..	176.9	265.1	268.7	225.3	234.8	252.5	268.4	224.9
	Dec. ..	176.9	259.0	252.6	223.7	234.8	252.5	267.5	225.3
1954	Jan. ..	176.9	250.8	251.9	220.2	236.1	252.5	264.6	225.3
	Feb. ..	176.9	253.8	247.5	210.2	236.1	252.5	261.5	225.3
	Mar. ..	176.9	248.6	240.2	210.2	236.1	252.5	261.5	225.3
	Apr. ..	176.9	257.9	247.1	210.2	236.1	252.5	261.2	225.3
	May. ..	176.9	278.5	258.7	216.3	235.6	252.5	262.1	225.3
	June ..	176.9	278.5	266.9	219.5	235.6	252.5	263.2	225.3

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
(1935-39 = 100)

- WOOD, WOOD PRODUCTS AND PAPER -

Date	Total Wood Pro- ducts	Lumber and Timber	Spruce	Hard- woods	Hem- lock	Fir	Cedar	Wood- pulp	News- print	Wrap- ping Paper	No. 1 Kraft
1953 Average ..	288.6	419.2	399.8	337.0	393.5	496.1	387.6	206.7	286.8	219.8	
1953 Apr.	289.9	421.9	404.4	344.2	392.6	497.2	393.2	212.9	286.8	215.9	
May	290.3	420.9	404.8	344.2	392.6	494.8	391.5	205.9	290.3	215.9	
June	290.5	423.6	404.8	344.2	392.6	502.7	391.7	205.3	289.4	215.9	
July	289.7	421.7	404.8	329.8	392.6	500.3	391.2	204.8	288.8	215.9	
Aug.	288.4	418.0	404.8	329.8	392.6	491.5	384.9	204.0	287.9	215.9	
Sept.	287.6	414.7	403.0	329.8	386.9	485.5	382.4	203.4	287.0	227.6	
Oct.	286.8	410.6	386.2	329.8	386.9	485.5	381.7	204.3	287.2	227.6	
Nov.	285.2	408.6	386.2	329.8	386.9	480.7	379.2	202.8	285.0	227.6	
Dec.	285.0	411.2	386.2	329.8	386.9	491.0	373.4	201.5	283.4	227.6	
1954 Jan.	284.5	409.6	384.4	329.8	375.5	491.0	370.7	201.8	283.8	227.6	
Feb.	283.4	409.1	380.4	329.8	369.8	492.8	372.2	200.4	281.7	227.6	
Mar.	284.1	409.3	380.4	310.1	369.8	495.2	377.7	201.3	283.1	227.6	
Apr.	285.7	410.0	380.0	310.1	369.8	496.4	380.0	203.4	285.9	227.6	
May.	286.2	409.5	380.0	310.1	369.8	496.4	377.3	203.6	287.2	227.6	
June	286.4	413.0	380.0	310.1	369.8	500.6	390.4	202.6	285.9	227.6	

- IRON AND ITS PRODUCTS -

	Total Iron Pro- ducts	Pig Iron	Rolling Mill Pro- ducts	Pipe and Tubing	Hard- ware	Wire	Scrap Iron and Steel	Tin Plate and Gal- vanized Sheet
1953 Average ..	221.4	261.2	209.4	238.3	224.5	249.2	298.1	223.5
1953 Apr.	221.5	260.1	209.2	238.3	222.8	245.5	313.6	224.4
May	221.2	260.1	209.2	238.3	222.8	245.5	311.1	223.0
June	220.6	260.1	209.6	238.3	222.8	245.5	288.1	223.0
July	220.6	260.1	209.6	238.3	222.8	245.5	288.1	223.0
Aug.	220.6	260.1	209.6	238.3	222.6	245.5	288.1	223.0
Sept.	221.9	260.1	209.6	238.3	227.6	256.5	288.1	223.0
Oct.	222.0	260.1	209.6	238.3	228.2	256.5	288.1	223.0
Nov.	222.3	266.4	209.6	238.3	228.2	256.5	288.1	223.0
Dec.	222.0	266.4	209.6	238.3	228.2	256.5	280.9	223.0
1954 Jan.	216.1	266.4	207.3	238.3	217.4	243.8	231.8	219.3
Feb.	215.9	260.1	207.3	238.3	218.4	243.8	230.6	219.0
Mar.	215.2	260.1	207.3	238.3	218.4	243.8	215.3	219.0
Apr.	214.2	254.7	207.3	237.1	218.4	243.8	200.9	219.0
May.	211.7	254.7	204.2	228.7	218.4	233.2	200.9	219.0
June	211.8	254.7	204.2	228.7	218.4	233.2	200.9	219.7

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
(1935-39 = 100)

- NON-FERROUS METALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -

Date	Copper Lead Zinc Combined Index								Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals (2)	
	Total Non-Ferrous Metals (1)	Anti-mony (2)	Its Products	Its Products	Silver	Tin	Its Products	Solder		
1953 Average ...	168.6	225.3	178.5	283.1	269.3	216.3	180.2	258.9	201.9	223.1
1953 Apr.	170.7	229.1	175.6	295.1	257.4	216.5	187.0	261.9	216.6	224.7
May	168.1	223.5	175.6	281.6	251.1	218.9	187.9	256.4	207.0	222.2
June	168.6	224.4	175.6	281.5	264.6	218.9	177.9	256.4	207.0	222.2
July	168.3	224.2	175.6	281.2	270.3	218.3	154.0	256.4	191.1	222.1
Aug.	168.2	224.2	175.6	280.2	276.6	217.6	150.2	256.4	191.1	222.1
Sept.	167.1	222.6	175.6	279.3	271.2	216.8	153.8	245.4	176.8	222.2
Oct.	166.5	221.7	175.6	278.8	266.5	216.3	150.3	243.0	176.8	221.9
Nov.	166.5	222.1	187.6	277.7	271.4	215.2	157.7	246.1	176.8	222.2
Dec.	166.1	221.7	184.2	276.5	271.4	214.2	162.4	246.1	176.8	221.9
1954 Jan.	165.6	220.9	184.2	276.4	266.3	214.2	163.9	241.0	176.8	218.1
Feb.	164.3	219.0	184.2	274.3	257.5	212.7	164.5	235.9	176.8	217.2
Mar.	165.1	220.0	184.2	275.5	256.0	213.7	178.1	240.9	192.7	217.2
Apr.	167.6	223.7	184.2	278.6	274.9	216.3	181.1	251.6	200.6	218.2
May	168.0	224.2	184.2	279.4	276.6	217.1	177.2	252.6	200.6	216.9
June....	168.3	225.0	191.1	278.7	278.7	216.0	178.5	266.1	200.6	217.3

- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS -

	Total Non-Metallic Products	Clay and Allied Material Products						Manufactured Gas	Window Glass
		Pottery	Coal	Coal Tar	Coke	Manufactured Gas	Window Glass		
1953 Average ...	176.9	219.2	146.8	178.3	213.7	227.3	138.7	233.8	
1953 Apr.	175.3	218.5	146.8	178.7	213.7	227.3	138.5	233.8	
May	174.8	221.5	146.8	176.0	213.7	227.3	138.5	233.8	
June	176.4	221.5	146.8	176.2	213.7	227.3	138.5	233.8	
July	177.0	221.5	146.8	177.8	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
Aug.	178.9	221.5	146.8	177.8	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
Sept.	179.0	221.5	146.8	178.1	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
Oct.	178.7	221.5	146.8	176.2	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
Nov.	178.4	221.5	146.8	177.2	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
Dec.	179.1	221.5	146.8	179.2	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
1954 Jan.	179.3	221.5	146.8	178.3	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
Feb.	179.4	230.2	146.8	178.3	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
Mar.	179.0	230.3	146.8	177.0	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
Apr.	178.3	230.3	146.8	176.4	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
May	176.7	231.6	146.8	169.9	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	
June	176.2	231.6	146.8	169.9	213.7	227.3	138.9	233.8	

(1) Includes Gold. This series is used in General Wholesale Index.

(2) Excludes Gold.

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Continued
(1935-39 = 100)

Date	- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Continued						
	Plate Glass	Petroleum Products	Gasoline	Coal Oil	Asphalt	Asphalt Shingles	Sulphur
1953 Average ...	175.4	165.2	137.9	129.9	183.9	150.4	190.9
1953 Apr.	170.7	161.3	134.6	126.9	184.1	150.4	177.0
May	170.7	161.3	134.6	126.9	184.1	150.4	179.4
June	170.7	164.9	134.6	126.9	184.1	150.4	202.9
July	170.7	165.4	134.6	126.9	184.1	150.4	202.5
Aug.	170.7	171.0	142.9	134.3	184.1	150.4	201.6
Sept.	170.7	171.1	142.9	134.3	184.1	150.4	201.0
Oct.	189.3	171.3	142.9	134.3	184.1	150.4	201.2
Nov.	189.3	169.8	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	199.6
Dec.	189.3	169.7	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	198.2
1954 Jan.	189.3	169.7	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	198.5
Feb.	189.3	169.2	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	197.0
Mar.	189.3	169.3	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	198.0
Apr.	189.3	169.3	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	200.2
May	189.3	169.4	142.5	134.2	184.1	150.4	201.2
June	189.3	167.9	139.3	134.2	184.1	150.4	200.2

	- NON-METALLIC MINERALS AND THEIR PRODUCTS - Concluded						
	Plaster	Lime	Cement	Sand and Gravel	Crushed Stone	Building Stone	Asbestos and Its Products
1953 Average ...	126.7	190.7	158.3	143.4	164.3	200.7	267.1
1953 Apr.	126.7	189.9	158.3	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
May	126.7	189.9	158.3	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
June	126.7	191.3	158.3	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
July	126.7	191.3	158.3	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
Aug.	126.7	191.3	158.6	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
Sept.	126.7	191.3	158.6	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
Oct.	126.7	191.3	158.6	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
Nov.	126.7	191.3	158.6	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
Dec.	126.7	191.3	158.5	146.7	160.7	200.7	267.1
1954 Jan.	126.7	191.3	158.5	151.7	188.6	200.7	267.1
Feb.	126.7	191.9	158.5	151.7	188.6	200.7	267.1
Mar.	126.7	191.9	158.5	146.7	188.6	200.7	267.1
Apr.	126.7	192.6	158.5	142.1	155.7	200.7	267.1
May	126.7	192.6	158.5	139.8	155.7	200.7	267.1
June	126.7	192.6	158.5	139.8	155.7	200.7	267.1

TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS SHOWING COMPONENT DETAIL - Concluded
(1935-39 = 100)

- CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS -

Date		Total Chemical Products	Inorganic Chemicals	Organic Chemicals	Coal Tar Products	Dyeing Materials	Tanning Materials
1953	Average ..	175.7	138.3	209.6	190.2	174.2	288.8
1953	Apr.	176.2	136.0	216.6	187.5	174.8	288.8
	May	176.2	136.0	216.6	191.6	174.8	288.8
	June	176.4	136.2	216.6	191.6	174.8	288.8
	July	176.1	140.1	216.6	191.6	174.8	288.8
	Aug.	176.0	140.0	212.9	191.6	174.8	288.8
	Sept.	175.3	140.4	212.9	191.6	174.8	288.8
	Oct.	173.6	140.4	193.8	191.6	174.8	288.8
	Nov.	173.7	140.4	191.8	191.6	174.8	288.8
	Dec.	174.2	140.4	188.1	191.6	174.8	288.8
1954	Jan.	175.4	140.3	182.7	191.6	182.2	288.8
	Feb.	175.3	140.1	182.8	191.6	182.2	288.8
	Mar.	175.9	140.1	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
	Apr.	176.0	140.1	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
	May	175.9	138.6	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8
	June	176.6	141.2	178.6	191.6	182.2	288.8

- CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS - Concluded

	Ex- plosives	Paint Prepared	Fertil- izer Materials	Indus- trial Gases	Soap
1953	Average ..	139.3	189.1	170.2	127.0
1953	Apr.	139.5	189.1	173.3	128.8
	May	139.5	189.1	173.3	126.9
	June	139.5	189.1	173.3	127.1
	July	139.5	189.1	166.4	129.4
	Aug.	139.5	189.1	166.4	128.8
	Sept.	139.5	189.1	166.4	128.7
	Oct.	139.5	189.1	166.4	124.8
	Nov.	139.5	189.1	167.3	126.0
	Dec.	137.4	189.1	167.3	124.5
1954	Jan.	137.4	189.1	167.3	124.5
	Feb.	137.4	189.1	166.7	123.8
	Mar.	137.4	189.1	166.7	124.9
	Apr.	137.4	189.1	165.8	126.2
	May	137.4	189.1	165.8	125.4
	June	137.4	189.1	165.8	127.9
					206.6

TABLE 6. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS

Date	- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -											
	Total Index (1949=100)*	Total Index	Cement, Sand and Gravel	Brick, Tile and Stone	Lumber and Its Pro- ducts	Lath, Plaster and Insu- lation	Roof- ing Mat- erial	Paint and Glass	Plumb- ing Equip- ment	Elect- rical Equip- ment	Other Mater- ials	
1926 ..	48.1	109.6	105.5	103.2	110.9	101.4	104.3	156.8	110.2	91.6	112.0	
1929 ..	49.3	112.4	107.6	107.4	116.7	94.4	108.8	151.5	108.5	130.1	106.1	
1932 ..	38.4	87.5	103.7	101.8	72.7	85.0	95.5	111.7	108.1	79.1	89.5	
1939 ..	44.9	102.3	94.0	97.2	104.9	99.4	104.1	97.2	103.0	102.4	104.6	
1940 ..	48.4	110.3	94.6	98.0	119.1	99.7	110.4	115.2	106.5	107.1	109.2	
1941 ..	53.8	122.6	99.1	105.1	139.2	102.8	118.7	136.2	114.6	109.0	112.5	
1942 ..	57.4	130.9	100.8	109.0	153.2	104.8	123.4	146.9	120.0	110.3	117.6	
1943 ..	61.0	139.1	101.2	113.1	171.3	104.8	130.1	149.4	120.0	110.3	117.9	
1944 ..	64.3	146.6	101.8	114.9	188.4	104.8	136.0	146.6	120.0	110.3	117.9	
1945 ..	65.0	148.3	102.1	116.4	191.3	104.8	135.5	142.2	122.2	111.4	118.0	
1946 ..	67.8	154.5	102.0	121.0	202.1	104.2	146.2	144.2	127.2	116.9	126.4	
1947 ..	79.1	180.4	109.7	133.4	242.0	107.3	172.3	169.6	145.2	147.4	143.0	
1948 ..	95.4	217.5	122.3	143.1	305.8	116.7	201.6	183.1	168.3	169.8	162.3	
1949 ..	100.0	228.0	127.0	151.0	322.1	118.1	190.5	179.6	180.2	173.4	174.7	
1950 ..	106.4	242.7	131.3	163.8	349.2	116.7	235.4	174.8	183.2	184.5	181.1	
1951 ..	125.5	286.2	140.9	180.7	425.0	126.3	235.8	197.8	210.4	213.3	212.7	
1952 ..	124.9	284.8	149.5	195.3	415.7	128.5	217.7	194.9	215.6	212.0	226.3	
1953 ..	123.9	282.6	151.8	205.8	410.6	128.5	218.6	203.8	209.0	211.4	229.5	
<u>1953</u>												
Jan.	124.4	283.6	152.1	199.5	412.2	129.1	217.0	202.7	213.1	211.0	228.8	
Feb.	124.5	283.9	152.1	199.5	412.8	129.1	217.0	202.2	213.1	211.0	228.8	
Mar.	124.9	284.7	152.1	205.7	413.9	129.1	217.0	202.2	211.7	217.9	228.8	
Apr.	124.7	284.3	151.6	205.7	413.3	129.1	216.9	201.8	211.7	217.9	228.8	
May	124.7	284.3	151.6	207.4	413.5	129.1	216.9	202.7	212.1	209.7	228.8	
June	124.6	284.1	151.6	207.4	413.2	128.9	219.7	202.7	211.3	209.7	228.8	
July	124.6	284.0	151.6	207.4	412.8	128.9	219.7	203.9	211.3	209.7	228.8	
Aug.	124.4	283.7	151.7	207.4	412.6	127.7	219.7	204.4	210.5	210.0	228.8	
Sept.	123.2	280.9	151.7	207.4	409.0	127.7	219.7	205.2	203.4	210.0	230.4	
Oct.	122.9	280.2	151.7	207.4	406.7	127.7	219.7	205.7	203.4	214.6	231.0	
Nov.	122.5	279.2	151.7	207.4	405.0	127.7	219.7	205.7	203.4	208.2	231.0	
Dec.	122.0	278.2	152.5	207.4	402.6	127.7	219.7	206.5	203.5	207.3	231.0	
<u>1954</u>												
Jan.	121.6	277.3	153.5	207.4	400.7	127.7	219.8	206.5	203.5	207.3	227.5	
Feb.	121.4	276.7	153.5	207.4	398.9	127.7	226.2	206.5	203.5	206.2	227.2	
Mar.	121.0	275.9	152.5	207.4	397.3	129.2	226.2	206.5	203.3	203.7	227.2	
Apr.	121.1	276.1	151.7	207.4	397.3	129.2	226.1	205.2	203.8	209.2	227.2	
May.	121.0	275.9	151.1	207.4	397.4	129.2	226.1	206.9	202.2	209.2	227.2	
June	121.7	277.4	151.1	207.4	400.4	129.2	229.3	208.2	202.1	209.9	227.8	

* Arithmetically converted to base 1949=100, for comparability with Price Indexes of Non-Residential Building Materials shown in Table 7.

TABLE 7. -PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS
(1949=100)

- PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS -							
Date	Total Index	Aggregate, Cement and Concrete Mix	Blocks, Brick and Stone	Tile	Lumber and Lumber Products	Plumbing, Heating and Other Equipment	Electrical Equipment and Materials
1950	105.0	103.2	104.3	104.9	110.3	103.0	105.8
1951	118.6	111.3	113.0	110.6	128.3	115.7	125.4
1952	123.2	117.4	119.7	115.5	127.9	121.3	121.7
1953	124.4	120.2	125.9	117.1	127.8	119.2	119.6
1953	Apr.	124.8	119.3	126.0	117.3	129.0	119.9
	May	124.7	119.3	126.5	117.0	129.1	118.5
	June	124.6	119.3	126.5	117.0	128.8	118.7
	July	124.7	120.4	126.5	117.0	128.7	119.6
	Aug.	124.5	120.5	126.5	117.0	128.2	119.7
	Sept.	123.6	120.5	126.5	117.0	126.8	119.7
	Oct.	123.8	120.5	126.5	117.0	126.2	121.1
	Nov.	123.7	120.5	126.5	117.0	125.7	120.8
	Dec.	123.6	120.9	126.5	117.1	124.9	120.7
1954	Jan.	123.2	122.1	126.5	117.3	124.7	120.7
	Feb.	123.1	122.1	126.5	120.9	124.2	120.4
	Mar.	122.9	121.8	126.6	120.7	123.7	120.0
	Apr.	122.6	120.5	126.6	120.6	123.6	120.0
	May	121.1	120.4	126.6	121.1	123.6	120.0
	June	121.2	120.6	126.6	121.1	124.2	120.1
	Steel and Metal Work	Hard-ware	Lath, Plaster and Insulation		Roofing Materials	Paint and Glass	Miscel-laneous Materials
1950	107.3	103.8	98.7		104.7	100.5	97.7
1951	122.0	120.3	107.1		128.9	113.0	106.0
1952	131.3	125.9	109.7		134.5	115.6	106.4
1953	134.7	129.3	110.0		133.6	125.3	103.8
1953	Apr.	134.8	128.3	110.2	134.9	124.9	103.7
	May	134.7	128.3	110.2	134.9	124.9	103.2
	June	134.7	128.3	110.2	132.6	124.9	103.2
	July	134.7	128.3	110.2	132.6	124.9	103.2
	Aug.	134.7	128.2	109.6	132.6	124.9	103.2
	Sept.	134.8	131.0	109.6	132.6	125.0	103.2
	Oct.	134.8	131.4	109.6	132.6	126.4	103.2
	Nov.	134.8	131.4	109.6	132.6	126.4	103.2
	Dec.	134.5	131.4	109.6	132.8	126.4	103.2
1954	Jan.	133.1	125.2	109.8	132.9	126.4	104.4
	Feb.	132.3	125.7	109.3	132.8	126.4	104.4
	Mar.	132.3	125.7	109.9	132.6	128.1	100.2
	Apr.	132.0	125.7	109.9	132.5	128.0	100.2
	May	125.0	125.7	109.8	132.4	128.1	100.2
	June	125.0	125.7	109.8	132.7	128.2	100.2

TABLE 8.- WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

(All prices given in Canadian funds)

Commodity 1/	Unit	Yearly Average 1953	June 1953	May 1954	June 1954
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, Domestic ..	bu.	1.919	2.038	1.828	1.740
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern, I.W.A.	bu.	1.882	1.850	1.828	1.740
OATS, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	.747	.705	.709	.722
BARLEY, No. 1 Feed	bu.	1.110	1.224	.901	.971
RYE, No. 2 C.W.	bu.	1.286	1.289	.881	.905
FLOUR, First Patent, Toronto	bbl.	11.195	12.800	11.700	11.400
SUGAR, Granulated, Standard, Montreal .	cwt.	7.620	7.648	7.078	7.078
LINSEED OIL, Raw, f.o.b. Montreal	gal.	1.337	1.350	1.200	1.050
COFFEE BEANS, Green, Santos 2/3's	lb.	.684	.665	.972	1.000
POTATOES, No. 1, Saint John	75 lb. bag	1.471	1.250	.919	1.250
STEERS, Toronto	cwt.	19.969	19.480	19.310	19.220
HOGS, Toronto (Bonus not included)	cwt.	30.823	33.230	36.250	35.650
HIDES, Packer, Light native steers	lb.	.175	.175	.145	.132
LEATHER, Packer Bends, No. 1 and 2	lb.	.720	.720	.720	.720
LEATHER, Box Sides D, f.o.b. Ontario factory	sq.ft.	.370	.370	.370	.370
BUTTER, Prints, 1st grade, Montreal ...	lb.	.610	.580	.572	.573
EGGS, Grade "A" large, Montreal	doz.	.648	.687	.462	.509
COTTON, Raw, Middling, 15/16", New York	lb.	.333	.339	.348	.345
COTTON YARNS, 10's white	lb.	.698	.690	.645	.645
WOOL, Raw, Eastern bright, 1/4 blood ..	lb.	.508	.520	.550	.550
NEWSPRINT, f.o.b. Canadian Mill (Southern Quebec)	ton	109.793	110.813	109.980	109.457
PIG IRON, Malleable	gr. ton	58.000	58.000	56.500	56.500
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic	cwt.	30.004	29.853	29.530	29.443
LEAD, Domestic	cwt.	12.896	12.667	13.250	13.352
TIN INGOTS	lb.	.961	.948	.945	.951
ZINC, Domestic, Grade "A", Electrolytic	cwt.	11.942	11.850	11.650	12.305
COAL, United States Anthracite	ton	20.768	20.060	18.690	18.690
GASOLINE, Regular Grade, Toronto	gal.	.223	.217	.231	.226
SHINGLES, Asphalt	210-lb. sq.	8.450	8.450	8.450	8.450
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Baume	ton	25.175	24.000	26.350	26.350

1/ Complete description and basis of quoting available upon request.

TABLE 9. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES
(1949 = 100)

		Total	Food	Shelter	Clothing	House-hold Operation	Other Commodities & Services	
1939	.....	63.2	50.2	84.6	54.9	66.5	77.2	
1940	.....	65.7	52.6	86.6	59.9	70.3	77.9	
1941	.....	69.6	57.9	89.2	63.6	73.8	80.0	
1942	.....	72.9	63.4	90.7	65.8	76.0	82.0	
1943	.....	74.2	65.2	90.9	66.1	76.1	84.8	
1944	.....	74.6	65.5	91.2	66.6	75.7	86.1	
1945	.....	75.0	66.3	91.4	66.9	74.9	86.4	
1946	.....	77.5	70.0	91.8	69.2	77.2	88.7	
1947	.....	84.8	79.5	95.1	78.9	86.2	91.6	
1948	.....	97.0	97.5	98.3	95.6	96.8	96.5	
1949	.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
1950	.....	102.9	102.6	106.2	99.7	102.4	103.1	
1951	.....	113.7	117.0	114.4	109.8	113.1	111.5	
1952	.....	116.5	116.8	120.2	111.8	116.2	116.0	
1953	.....	115.5	112.6	123.6	110.1	117.0	115.8	
<u>1951</u>	August	1	115.5	119.0	115.8	110.7	115.1	113.4
	September	1	116.5	120.5	117.2	111.9	115.5	113.6
	October	1	117.1	121.3	117.2	114.1	115.8	114.1
	November	1	117.9	122.5	118.2	114.5	115.9	114.8
	December	1	118.1	122.5	118.2	115.2	116.4	115.0
<u>1952</u>	January	2	118.2	122.4	118.3	114.9	116.4	115.5
	February	1	117.6	120.8	118.3	113.5	116.3	115.8
	March	1	116.9	117.6	119.1	112.9	116.9	116.4
	April	1	116.8	117.2	119.4	112.5	116.8	116.6
	May	1	115.9	115.5	119.6	112.3	116.2	115.6
	June	2	116.0	115.7	120.4	111.8	115.9	115.7
	July	2	116.1	116.0	120.6	111.7	115.9	115.6
	August	1	116.0	115.7	120.6	111.6	115.8	115.8
	September	2	116.1	115.8	121.2	110.9	116.0	115.8
	October	1	116.0	115.1	121.5	109.9	116.2	116.4
	November	1	116.1	115.7	121.4	109.8	115.9	116.6
	December	1	115.8	114.1	122.2	109.7	116.1	116.6
<u>1953</u>	January	2	115.7	113.5	122.3	109.7	116.5	116.7
	February	2	115.5	112.7	122.5	109.6	116.6	116.7
	March	2	114.8	111.6	122.5	109.7	116.7	115.2
	April	1	114.6	110.9	122.7	109.7	116.9	115.0
	May	1	114.4	110.1	122.9	110.1	116.6	115.1
	June	1	114.9	111.4	123.6	110.1	116.6	115.1
	July	2	115.4	112.7	123.9	110.3	117.0	115.2
	August	1	115.7	112.8	124.1	110.4	117.2	115.8
	September	1	116.2	114.0	124.2	110.4	117.4	115.9
	October	1	116.7	115.5	124.5	110.3	117.5	116.0
	November	2	116.2	113.4	125.0	110.3	117.4	116.3
	December	1	115.8	112.1	125.2	110.2	117.4	116.3
<u>1954</u>	January	2	115.7	111.6	125.4	110.1	117.5	116.4
	February	1	115.7	111.7	125.4	110.0	117.5	116.5
	March	1	115.5	110.7	125.6	109.8	117.6	116.6
	April	1	115.6	110.4	125.6	109.9	118.1	117.2
	May	1	115.5	110.2	125.8	109.9	117.3	117.5
	June	1	116.1	112.0	126.4	109.7	117.1	117.5

TABLE 10.- CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - MAIN GROUPS AND SELECTED COMPONENTS
(1949 = 100)

	1951	1952	1953	June 1952	June 1953	Apr. 1954	May 1954	June 1954
<u>Total Index</u>	113.7	116.5	115.5	116.0	114.9	115.6	115.5	116.1
<u>Food</u>	117.0	116.8	112.6	115.7	111.4	110.4	110.2	112.0
Dairy Products (incl. butter)	108.6	113.3	112.4	111.7	111.5	112.7	111.5	110.9
Cereal Products	113.0	117.4	119.3	118.0	118.3	122.5	122.5	122.5
Meats, Fish and Poultry	127.9	115.5	108.2	109.6	106.1	106.5	105.7	106.2
<u>Shelter</u>	114.4	120.2	123.6	120.4	123.6	125.6	125.8	126.4
Rent	114.5	120.9	125.4	121.3	125.5	128.6	128.9	129.8
Home-Ownership	114.4	119.3	121.2	119.2	121.0	121.7	121.8	121.8
<u>Clothing</u>	109.8	111.8	110.1	111.8	110.1	109.9	109.9	109.7
Men's Wear	111.6	115.2	113.5	115.2	113.3	113.9	113.9	113.9
Women's Wear	105.6	104.8	102.5	104.8	103.0	102.0	101.9	101.5
Children's Wear	108.6	111.5	108.6	112.1	108.6	107.6	107.5	107.5
Footwear	116.6	127.2	127.7	126.9	127.7	127.6	127.6	127.6
Piece Goods	119.8	107.4	106.2	106.2	104.4	108.7	108.7	108.8
<u>Household Operation</u>	113.1	116.2	117.0	115.9	116.6	118.1	117.3	117.1
Fuel and Lighting	109.9	113.4	115.6	112.8	114.6	116.5	114.5	113.9
Home Furnishings	115.5	117.6	116.7	117.2	116.7	116.4	115.6	115.3
Furniture	112.9	115.6	117.2	115.5	117.3	118.3	117.5	117.6
Utensils and Equipment	113.2	118.9	121.2	119.6	121.2	121.8	122.1	122.0
Supplies and Services	112.7	116.8	118.7	116.9	118.4	122.0	122.1	122.3
Supplies	112.2	112.4	113.5	111.9	113.3	115.8	115.7	115.8
Services	113.0	119.7	122.2	120.4	121.9	126.3	126.5	126.7
<u>Other Commodities and Services</u>	111.5	116.0	115.8	115.7	115.1	117.2	117.5	117.5
Transportation	113.0	117.4	119.2	116.7	118.8	119.8	119.7	119.7
Automobile Operation	112.9	114.9	114.5	114.0	114.1	115.1	114.9	114.9
Recreation	109.7	115.7	116.7	116.5	115.5	118.3	119.9	119.9
Health Care	110.3	118.8	122.0	118.5	121.5	127.9	127.9	127.9
Drugs	107.4	107.9	108.7	107.5	108.7	109.3	109.3	109.3
Tobacco and Alcoholic Beverages	111.5	113.3	108.0	112.4	107.1	107.2	107.3	107.3
Personal Care	112.5	115.5	115.9	116.0	116.1	117.8	118.0	118.2
Personal Supplies	110.6	112.7	111.5	113.3	111.7	113.7	113.7	114.0

TABLE 11. - PRICE RELATIVES FOR SPECIFIED FOODS INCLUDED IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(1949 = 100)

	Beef, Blade Roast	Beef, Sir- loin	Pork, Loin	Bacon	Salmon, Canned	Chicken	Butter	Mar- garine	
<u>1951</u>		151.3	143.5	114.8	95.4	106.3	113.3	104.9	128.5
<u>1952</u>		133.5	132.7	99.0	78.4	107.4	100.8	102.4	115.3
<u>1953</u>		106.2	113.0	113.7	101.0	95.9	108.6	100.7	117.9
<u>1953</u>	May 1	106.9	111.8	113.8	85.9	96.1	116.4	98.3	118.8
	June 1	106.3	112.6	121.8	98.6	96.1	116.4	97.7	119.1
	July 2	105.0	113.9	116.4	103.8	96.1	115.4	97.0	118.8
	Dec. 1	98.2	104.8	116.1	118.0	95.3	102.4	102.5	117.9
<u>1954</u>	Jan. 2	99.9	106.2	118.1	115.6	95.3	103.8	102.8	117.6
	Feb. 1	99.9	105.8	122.2	117.7	94.9	103.9	103.2	117.9
	Mar. 1	98.0	101.8	121.8	118.5	94.9	103.6	103.1	117.9
	Apr. 1	96.8	101.8	119.6	118.5	94.9	102.8	102.3	117.9
	May 1	96.1	103.8	121.1	119.9	94.5	100.4	98.0	117.9
	June 1	99.2	109.5	128.3	122.9	94.1	97.1	95.3	117.9

	Short- ening	Eggs	Peaches, Canned	Oranges	Peas, Canned	Potatoes	Toma- toes, Fresh	Carrots	
<u>1951</u>		112.4	116.5	105.5	109.6	107.2	99.9	105.7	124.7
<u>1952</u>		92.3	96.0	104.4	105.3	116.9	196.9	103.2	137.1
<u>1953</u>		87.4	109.9	97.7	94.8	120.0	111.8	102.3	132.3
<u>1953</u>	May 1	86.7	105.7	97.7	90.9	120.6	105.9	103.5	139.9
	June 1	87.4	107.6	97.2	93.7	120.1	106.5	115.9	146.5
	July 2	87.4	122.6	97.7	100.2	120.1	123.2	160.8	154.5
	Dec. 1	91.1	98.2	96.8	99.4	119.5	84.1	124.5	127.9
<u>1954</u>	Jan. 2	92.3	88.6	96.3	94.6	118.9	84.4	127.5	133.2
	Feb. 1	92.9	91.9	97.2	95.7	119.5	83.8	118.9	139.9
	Mar. 1	90.2	91.5	97.2	100.5	119.5	83.0	106.9	145.2
	Apr. 1	91.4	84.4	97.2	117.0	118.9	79.5	93.2	149.2
	May 1	92.0	83.7	97.7	115.3	118.9	82.1	114.6	165.2
	June 1	91.7	84.5	98.7	119.3	118.9	92.7	114.6	185.2

		Milk, Fresh	Cheese, Pro- cessed	Bread	Flour	Sugar, Granu- lated	Jam, Straw- berry	Tea	Coffee
<u>1951</u>		110.0	111.1	115.5	106.9	129.8	114.0	104.2	163.2
<u>1952</u>		118.4	115.9	119.3	105.9	121.0	110.6	104.9	163.0
<u>1953</u>		118.5	113.2	121.5	108.9	107.8	104.5	98.1	164.1
<u>1953</u>	May 1	118.5	114.4	118.7	106.2	108.4	102.6	97.3	164.1
	June 1	118.5	114.1	119.7	107.6	107.3	102.6	97.3	163.5
	July 2	118.5	114.1	122.8	111.9	107.3	102.2	97.1	163.5
	Dec. 1	118.5	110.3	126.8	113.3	104.1	106.1	97.8	167.8
<u>1954</u>	Jan. 2	118.5	110.6	126.8	113.3	104.1	106.1	98.2	169.1
	Feb. 1	118.5	110.6	126.8	111.9	104.1	106.5	99.6	178.3
	Mar. 1	118.5	110.0	126.8	111.9	103.0	106.5	100.0	189.0
	Apr. 1	118.5	110.0	126.8	110.5	103.0	106.5	102.1	200.6
	May 1	118.5	111.3	126.8	110.5	101.9	106.5	103.3	214.9
	June 1	118.5	112.7	126.8	110.5	101.9	106.5	104.0	218.6

TABLE 12. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR REGIONAL CITIES

N.B. - Indexes shown in this table measure percentage changes in prices over time, and should not be used to compare actual LEVELS of prices as between cities.

	St. John's Nfl'd.	Hali-fax	Saint John	Montreal	Ottawa	Toronto	Winnipeg	Saskatoon	Edmonton	Vancouver	
	June 1951 = 100		1949 = 100								
1940		68.6	66.4	64.8	65.3	66.1	66.6	64.7	66.2	63.6	
1941		71.3	69.8	68.6	68.7	69.9	69.8	68.5	69.0	66.9	
1942		74.2	73.3	71.9	72.0	73.6	72.9	71.5	72.0	70.2	
1943		76.0	74.7	73.4	73.1	74.4	74.0	72.6	73.9	72.4	
1944		76.9	75.4	73.6	73.3	74.9	74.5	73.5	74.6	72.8	
1945		77.6	75.8	74.4	73.8	75.3	75.2	74.0	75.3	73.6	
1946		79.6	77.9	76.9	76.5	77.9	77.5	76.6	77.8	75.9	
1947		86.3	84.6	84.3	84.5	85.5	84.3	84.4	84.6	83.3	
1948		96.8	97.0	96.6	96.5	97.0	95.8	96.9	96.1	96.0	
1949		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
1950		102.1	103.3	103.7	103.1	104.1	103.8	102.2	103.9	103.6	
1951		112.1	114.1	116.1	115.3	115.4	114.6	111.7	113.5	114.3	
1952	103.5	115.3	117.4	117.6	116.8	117.5	116.1	112.8	114.8	117.4	
1953	102.2	113.2	115.3	116.3	115.0	116.8	114.4	113.1	114.0	116.1	
<u>1951</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>2</u>	110.0	112.3	113.7	113.6	114.0	113.1	110.1	112.0	112.7
	May	1	110.1	112.6	114.2	113.6	114.2	113.1	110.2	112.4	112.9
	June	1	100.0	111.5	113.8	116.2	114.7	115.0	114.2	113.1	114.4
	July	3	101.3	114.6	115.9	119.2	117.5	117.3	117.1	113.5	115.1
	August	1	102.8	115.7	117.0	118.9	118.1	118.0	117.5	114.5	116.5
	September	1	102.7	115.4	117.0	119.6	118.9	118.5	117.3	114.6	116.3
	October	1	103.0	115.9	117.5	119.8	119.2	118.8	117.9	115.1	116.6
	November	1	103.2	116.6	117.8	120.4	119.2	119.2	117.8	115.4	116.9
	December	1	103.5	116.6	118.2	120.4	120.2	118.9	118.0	115.2	117.7
<u>1952</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>2</u>	103.9	116.6	119.4	120.9	120.6	119.6	118.3	115.1	117.6
	February	1	103.7	115.9	119.0	120.3	120.1	118.9	118.1	115.1	117.4
	March	1	104.0	115.6	118.7	119.2	118.7	117.9	117.2	114.2	118.6
	April	1	103.8	115.6	118.6	118.2	118.1	118.2	117.1	113.0	115.4
	May	1	103.1	115.3	117.0	116.5	116.4	116.9	116.2	111.4	114.0
	June	2	102.7	116.5	117.8	117.4	116.2	117.9	116.3	111.3	113.8
	July	2	103.9	116.8	118.3	118.0	116.5	117.9	116.5	112.6	114.4
	August	1	105.3	116.4	118.2	117.0	116.2	117.8	115.9	113.2	114.8
	September	2	103.6	114.9	116.8	117.0	115.8	117.2	115.3	112.4	113.9
	October	1	103.0	113.1	115.3	115.8	114.5	116.2	114.3	111.7	113.5
	November	1	102.5	113.6	115.2	115.7	114.7	116.0	114.1	112.1	113.3
	December	1	102.3	112.8	114.5	115.2	113.9	115.6	113.5	111.3	116.1
<u>1953</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>2</u>	102.4	112.8	114.7	115.7	114.4	115.9	113.7	111.9	112.6
	February	2	102.3	113.1	114.8	116.2	114.8	116.0	114.1	112.1	112.6
	March	2	101.3	112.9	114.5	115.8	114.3	115.9	113.7	112.2	113.0
	April	1	101.5	112.7	114.6	114.8	114.3	115.7	113.9	112.3	113.1
	May	1	101.1	112.2	114.4	114.9	113.7	115.7	113.6	112.1	113.2
	June	1	101.2	112.7	114.9	116.0	114.7	116.5	114.1	112.9	114.0
	July	2	101.9	113.7	115.8	117.3	115.2	117.2	115.2	113.9	114.7
	August	1	102.9	114.2	116.7	117.0	115.4	117.5	115.0	114.2	115.3
	September	1	102.8	113.8	116.1	116.5	115.5	117.6	114.7	113.8	115.1
	October	1	102.8	114.0	116.1	117.4	116.4	118.4	115.0	114.3	115.3
	November	2	103.1	113.6	115.9	117.0	116.0	117.8	115.2	113.7	114.9
	December	1	102.7	113.2	115.5	116.7	115.5	117.6	114.7	113.3	114.5
<u>1954</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>2</u>	102.6	113.2	115.4	116.7	115.3	117.7	114.9	113.2	114.4
	February	1	102.4	113.8	115.8	116.8	115.5	117.6	115.0	113.5	114.3
	March	1	102.2	113.7	116.2	116.3	115.3	117.4	114.7	113.7	114.4
	April	1	102.0	113.8	115.9	116.3	115.5	117.7	114.9	113.6	116.9
	May	1	102.2	113.6	115.8	116.3	115.5	117.7	114.8	113.5	114.4
	June	1	102.5	113.9	116.2	117.0	116.1	118.2	115.3	114.1	116.8

TABLE 12. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR REGIONAL CITIES - Continued
(1949=100)

			St. John's Nfld. 1	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver
Food Index												
<u>1951</u>	October	1	105.2	118.9	122.3	125.5	124.5	122.6	123.7	120.3	122.0	120.2
	November	1	105.0	120.2	122.6	126.0	123.5	122.0	123.1	119.6	121.4	122.4
	December	1	105.7	120.0	123.2	125.8	125.5	120.6	123.2	119.0	123.6	123.4
<u>1952</u>	January	2	106.1	119.6	123.5	126.9	125.7	122.2	122.8	118.2	122.0	124.1
	February	1	105.0	118.1	122.8	125.4	124.9	121.0	123.1	118.6	121.9	122.4
	March	1	104.3	115.6	121.5	122.5	121.8	117.4	120.3	115.6	119.2	120.9
	April	1	103.8	115.8	121.5	120.4	119.5	116.9	119.6	112.8	117.2	121.0
	May	1	103.2	114.3	118.4	117.2	116.4	114.1	118.2	110.3	114.3	117.2
	June	2	102.2	116.9	120.4	119.3	116.6	116.3	118.4	110.3	113.8	117.0
	July	2	105.8	117.7	121.6	120.5	117.5	116.7	119.2	113.5	115.6	115.9
	August	1	109.6	117.1	121.2	118.2	117.1	116.3	116.8	114.3	116.5	115.3
	September	2	104.5	113.1	118.0	118.2	115.5	113.9	115.2	111.9	114.2	114.8
	October	1	103.0	108.8	114.7	114.7	112.3	111.3	113.3	110.4	113.2	112.3
	November	1	101.7	109.9	114.4	114.8	113.0	111.0	113.2	111.5	112.5	112.8
	December	1	101.4	107.8	112.7	113.2	110.1	109.4	111.2	109.3	111.4	113.5
<u>1953</u>	January	2	101.6	107.5	112.2	114.2	111.3	110.0	111.6	110.8	110.5	113.4
	February	2	100.8	107.9	112.4	115.2	112.2	110.1	112.6	110.9	110.4	112.4
	March	2	99.5	107.7	112.2	114.5	111.0	109.7	111.7	111.5	110.8	111.8
	April	1	99.4	106.6	111.9	111.8	110.8	108.2	111.8	111.5	110.4	111.3
	May	1	98.4	105.0	110.9	112.1	109.2	108.3	111.0	110.2	110.4	111.4
	June	1	98.6	106.2	111.4	114.0	111.7	109.9	112.3	112.1	112.0	111.6
	July	2	99.6	108.6	113.5	116.8	112.8	111.6	114.9	114.4	113.7	113.3
	August	1	101.8	109.8	115.1	116.0	112.9	111.7	113.8	114.6	113.9	111.8
	September	1	101.4	108.9	113.2	114.8	112.8	111.8	112.6	113.6	113.3	112.0
	October	1	101.4	108.6	113.1	117.4	115.5	114.1	112.8	114.6	113.6	112.7
	November	2	102.3	107.0	111.8	115.8	113.0	111.6	112.3	112.1	111.9	112.6
	December	1	101.3	105.7	110.8	115.1	111.4	110.3	110.8	110.8	110.7	111.3
<u>1954</u>	January	2	101.0	105.5	110.3	115.1	110.3	110.2	110.9	110.2	109.9	110.8
	February	1	100.4	106.5	110.6	115.5	110.5	110.0	111.1	110.4	109.9	111.6
	March	1	99.5	105.6	109.8	113.4	109.8	108.9	110.2	110.0	109.9	110.7
	April	1	98.9	105.5	109.2	112.6	109.3	108.9	110.2	108.7	109.0	110.4
	May	1	99.3	104.7	108.4	112.7	109.3	109.1	109.7	108.0	109.3	109.8
	June	1	100.0	105.7	109.1	114.3	110.8	110.9	111.0	110.6	110.4	111.6
Shelter Index												
<u>1953</u>	April	1	107.1	116.7	110.9	128.2	121.6	132.7	117.3	109.0	116.1	121.3
	May	1	107.3	116.7	112.2	128.3	121.6	132.9	117.3	109.7	116.4	121.5
	June	1	107.3	116.8	113.8	130.4	122.6	134.4	117.3	109.7	117.4	122.0
	July	2	107.3	116.8	114.3	130.6	122.7	134.6	117.6	109.8	117.5	122.9
	August	1	107.3	116.8	114.9	131.1	123.3	135.1	117.7	110.9	117.5	122.9
	September	1	107.3	116.8	116.3	131.1	124.0	135.1	117.9	110.9	117.8	123.0
	October	1	107.3	118.7	116.3	131.2	124.2	136.0	119.4	111.5	118.3	123.2
	November	2	107.3	118.7	116.9	131.4	124.9	136.5	120.8	111.6	118.5	123.2
	December	1	107.3	119.1	116.9	131.5	125.0	137.1	121.7	111.9	118.7	123.5
<u>1954</u>	January	2	107.3	119.6	116.9	131.8	125.0	137.9	122.4	112.1	119.0	123.7
	February	1	107.3	121.2	117.2	131.9	125.6	138.1	122.5	112.5	119.2	123.7
	March	1	107.3	122.2	117.6	132.0	126.0	138.2	122.6	113.1	119.3	124.1
	April	1	107.3	122.4	117.9	132.0	126.0	138.9	122.7	113.5	119.3	124.1
	May	1	107.3	122.6	118.2	132.1	126.2	139.8	122.9	113.7	119.4	124.6
	June	1	107.3	122.9	120.8	133.1	127.7	140.6	123.4	113.9	119.4	124.7

1. St. John's Index on the base June 1951=100

TABLE 12. - CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR REGIONAL CITIES - Concluded
(1949 = 100)

		St. John's Nfl'd ¹	Hali- fax	Saint John	Mont- real	Ottawa	Tor- onto	Win- nipeg	Saska- toon Regina	Edmon- ton Calgary	Van- couver
<u>Clothing Index</u>											
<u>1953</u>	April	1	101.6	115.7	119.2	109.5	112.7	112.7	115.7	115.3	113.5
	May	1	101.8	115.8	119.4	109.9	113.2	113.2	115.7	116.3	114.2
	June	1	101.9	116.0	119.5	110.1	113.2	113.2	115.7	116.3	114.2
	July	2	101.8	115.9	119.4	110.3	113.3	113.3	115.7	116.2	114.4
	August	1	101.9	116.0	119.7	110.3	113.3	113.3	116.2	116.3	114.4
	September	1	101.9	116.1	119.7	110.3	113.6	113.6	116.7	116.3	114.4
	October	1	101.9	116.4	119.7	110.9	113.6	113.1	116.2	116.3	114.3
	November	2	102.1	116.9	119.9	111.0	113.6	112.9	116.5	116.3	114.3
	December	1	101.7	116.9	119.9	111.0	113.5	112.6	116.3	116.3	114.2
<u>1954</u>	January	2	101.6	116.9	119.9	111.0	113.5	112.6	116.1	116.3	114.2
	February	1	101.8	116.7	119.9	110.7	113.5	112.4	116.1	116.3	114.2
	March	1	102.0	116.6	119.7	110.7	113.4	112.2	115.4	117.0	114.2
	April	1	102.2	116.4	118.6	110.7	113.5	112.1	115.2	117.0	114.2
	May	1	102.1	116.6	118.6	110.7	113.5	111.9	115.2	117.0	114.2
	June	1	102.3	116.3	118.5	110.6	113.5	111.4	115.2	116.6	114.2
<u>Household Operation Index</u>											
<u>1953</u>	April	1	103.9	118.8	116.9	117.5	116.4	118.5	113.6	116.9	114.3
	May	1	103.7	119.2	116.2	116.3	116.0	117.7	113.4	117.1	114.0
	June	1	103.8	119.2	116.7	116.3	115.1	117.6	113.2	117.1	114.0
	July	2	103.7	119.2	116.7	116.3	115.1	117.7	113.3	117.7	114.4
	August	1	104.3	119.3	117.1	116.3	115.2	117.6	113.4	117.7	115.1
	September	1	104.4	119.1	117.2	116.7	115.1	117.6	113.4	117.7	115.2
	October	1	104.4	119.0	117.2	116.5	115.7	117.6	113.5	117.7	115.2
	November	2	104.3	118.9	117.2	116.2	115.6	117.5	113.4	117.7	115.1
	December	1	104.2	118.9	117.1	116.0	116.0	117.8	112.9	118.1	114.9
<u>1954</u>	January	2	104.1	119.0	117.2	116.1	116.4	117.8	113.2	118.1	115.1
	February	1	104.0	119.0	117.3	116.1	116.4	117.7	113.2	118.1	115.1
	March	1	104.0	119.1	117.3	116.2	116.4	117.8	113.1	118.3	115.1
	April	1	103.9	119.5	116.8	116.6	116.8	118.2	113.7	118.8	115.7
	May	1	104.0	119.2	116.8	115.8	116.7	116.9	113.5	118.8	115.5
	June	1	104.0	119.2	116.5	115.8	115.8	116.4	113.6	118.5	115.8
<u>Other Commodities and Services Index</u>											
<u>1953</u>	April	1	99.6	114.6	118.7	114.6	116.2	115.8	114.8	110.4	115.0
	May	1	99.5	115.0	118.9	114.6	116.2	115.7	115.1	110.5	115.2
	June	1	99.3	115.0	118.9	114.6	116.2	115.8	115.1	110.5	115.2
	July	2	101.1	115.0	118.9	114.6	116.2	116.1	115.1	110.5	115.2
	August	1	101.4	115.2	119.3	115.0	116.7	116.8	115.9	110.6	116.8
	September	1	101.5	115.3	119.3	115.1	116.8	116.8	116.0	110.8	116.9
	October	1	101.5	115.4	119.3	115.1	116.8	116.9	116.2	110.8	117.1
	November	2	101.5	115.5	119.3	115.4	117.4	117.4	116.3	111.7	117.6
	December	1	101.5	115.6	119.3	115.3	117.4	117.4	116.2	111.7	117.6
<u>1954</u>	January	2	101.9	115.6	119.4	115.4	117.4	117.5	116.3	111.7	117.8
	February	1	102.0	115.8	120.1	115.4	117.5	117.6	116.7	111.7	117.8
	March	1	102.0	115.8	122.8	115.6	117.6	117.7	116.6	112.4	117.8
	April	1	102.1	116.2	122.9	116.4	118.4	118.4	117.3	112.8	118.3
	May	1	102.6	116.2	123.0	116.8	118.6	118.6	117.4	113.0	118.2
	June	1	102.7	116.2	123.0	116.8	118.6	118.6	117.4	112.9	118.2

1. St. John's Index on the base June 1951 = 100

**TABLE 13.-ACTUAL AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES IN MANUFACTURING
ADJUSTED FOR CHANGES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX(1)**
1945 - 1954

Year and Month	Actual(2) Weekly Wages	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars	Index Numbers of		The Consumer Price Index
			Actual Weekly Wages	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars	
	\$	\$		(1949 = 100)	(1949 = 100)
1945 - Average	30.74	40.99	73.7	98.3	75.0
1946 - Average	29.87	38.54	71.6	92.4	77.5
1947 - Average	34.13	40.25	81.8	96.5	84.8
1948 - Average	38.53	39.72	92.4	95.2	97.0
1949 - Average	41.71	41.71	100.0	100.0	100.0
1950 - Average	43.82	42.59	105.1	102.1	102.9
1951 - Average	48.82	42.94	117.0	102.9	113.7
1952 - Average	53.62	46.03	128.6	110.4	116.5
1953 - Average	56.09	48.56	134.5	116.4	115.5
1952 - Feb. 1	52.87	44.96	126.8	107.8	117.6
Mar. 1	53.29	45.59	127.8	109.3	116.9
Apr. 1	54.31	46.50	130.2	111.5	116.8
May 1	54.22	46.78	130.0	112.2	115.9
June 1	53.57	46.18	128.4	110.7	116.0
July 1	53.11	45.75	127.3	109.7	116.1
Aug. 1	52.98	45.67	127.0	109.5	116.0
Sept. 1	53.87	46.40	129.2	111.2	116.1
Oct. 1	54.69	47.15	131.1	113.0	116.0
Nov. 1	55.15	47.50	132.2	113.9	116.1
Dec. 1	56.14	48.48	134.6	116.2	115.8
1953 - Jan. 1	51.32	44.36	123.0	106.4	115.7
Feb. 1	56.23	48.68	134.8	116.7	115.5
Mar. 1	56.58	49.29	135.7	118.2	114.8
Apr. 1	56.79	49.55	136.2	118.8	114.6
May 1	56.64	49.51	135.8	118.7	114.4
June 1	56.67	49.32	135.9	118.2	114.9
July 1	56.25	48.74	134.9	116.9	115.4
Aug. 1	55.76	48.19	133.7	115.5	115.7
Sept. 1	55.64	47.88	133.4	114.8	116.2
Oct. 1	56.69	48.58	135.9	116.5	116.7
Nov. 1	56.88	48.95	136.4	117.4	116.2
Dec. 1	57.02	49.24	136.7	118.1	115.8
1954 - Jan. 1	54.05	46.72	129.6	112.0	115.7
Feb. 1	57.14	49.39	137.0	118.4	115.7
Mar. 1	57.79	50.03	138.6	119.9	115.5
Apr. 1	57.67	49.89	138.3	119.6	115.6
May 1	57.61(P)	49.88(p)	138.1(P)	119.6(P)	115.5

(1) For a statement of uses and limitations see "Prices & Price Indexes" May 1953.

(2) Average Weekly Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners in Manufacturing. For details see monthly publication "Man Hours and Hourly Earnings."

(P) Preliminary

TABLE 14. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCK PRICES

(1935-39 = 100)

INVESTORS' INDEX

Number of Stocks	Inves-	Total	Machin-	Pulp	Tex-	Food	Build-					
	tors'	Indus-	ery and Equip- ment	and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	ting Mater- ials					
	Total	trials	(99)	(79)	(11)	(9)	(3)	(5)	(10)	(14)	(10)	(15)
1939	.....	91.6	91.2	100.9	81.7	100.6	83.6	95.0	109.6	98.1	98.3
1940	.....	77.4	74.2	88.9	90.7	94.2	62.2	121.8	103.3	100.8	90.6
1941	.....	67.5	63.9	75.6	68.8	70.6	50.0	105.4	91.0	95.9	78.3
1942	.....	64.2	60.4	76.5	62.9	47.1	47.1	104.0	77.7	97.8	74.5
1943	.....	83.5	78.6	103.9	92.6	90.5	73.8	121.4	89.5	131.0	89.1
1944	.....	83.8	78.8	112.8	125.0	99.3	73.1	124.8	97.5	153.3	92.7
1945	.....	99.6	93.7	134.5	167.3	113.3	78.7	148.7	110.3	222.2	116.0
1946	.....	115.7	108.6	183.8	255.5	132.4	73.9	193.9	129.1	363.9	149.6
1947	.....	106.0	99.3	182.6	258.4	120.3	65.9	182.4	125.8	302.3	137.4
1948	.....	112.5	107.2	220.1	264.0	107.4	74.0	207.5	114.0	308.5	135.7
1949	.....	109.4	103.1	215.4	242.9	89.9	72.0	208.1	115.7	299.9	143.4
1950	.....	131.6	127.6	295.5	362.2	87.9	94.2	264.1	122.0	389.0	185.8
1951	.....	168.3	172.0	420.7	561.2	112.8	140.6	358.0	118.9	434.1	272.5
1952	.....	173.1	176.6	428.3	515.2	131.0	155.1	277.2	108.6	365.7	283.6
1953	.....	160.3	160.1	394.8	501.6	131.2	131.0	222.5	120.7	399.3	279.5
1952	Aug. ..	176.0	179.8	441.8	519.9	152.3	153.4	297.2	107.5	375.6	299.4	
	Sept. ..	171.6	174.3	434.7	499.1	145.4	146.6	286.8	109.7	363.8	290.7	
	Oct. ..	163.6	164.9	407.5	471.9	143.4	138.1	271.9	110.2	350.4	277.5	
	Nov. ..	167.3	169.2	416.1	480.4	143.7	143.3	276.3	112.4	370.4	284.8	
	Dec. ..	168.4	169.9	419.1	494.3	132.9	146.5	269.3	112.5	367.1	287.6	
1953	Jan. ..	172.3	174.3	432.9	502.5	132.6	147.3	279.0	115.2	382.5	293.6	
	Feb. ..	169.0	170.0	419.9	494.4	133.4	143.0	269.4	117.0	387.0	291.0	
	Mar. ..	170.0	170.8	415.5	501.9	130.6	145.3	261.5	117.8	396.8	293.3	
	Apr. ..	160.8	160.6	382.7	472.6	130.4	136.8	247.7	118.2	384.4	282.2	
	May ..	159.8	159.1	381.6	471.0	128.3	134.6	235.1	118.2	395.9	275.1	
	June ..	156.8	155.5	378.9	471.9	128.8	127.4	217.6	118.3	388.1	270.7	
	July ..	160.7	160.5	394.9	494.9	129.8	129.3	202.7	124.3	408.6	278.5	
	Aug. ..	161.2	161.6	396.9	518.9	136.4	131.3	211.5	125.7	411.4	283.8	
	Sept. ..	152.9	152.2	375.2	509.2	132.8	120.8	199.4	123.2	397.8	269.4	
	Oct. ..	151.9	150.9	374.3	503.3	131.3	118.5	189.9	123.3	400.8	267.0	
	Nov. ..	154.2	153.2	392.7	533.9	131.0	117.8	175.2	124.6	417.9	273.6	
	Dec. ..	153.6	152.7	391.5	544.4	129.1	119.4	180.7	122.4	420.4	276.1	
1954	Jan. ..	157.4	156.5	395.3	562.6	129.3	126.1	168.8	122.9	434.5	283.6	
	Feb. ..	163.2	163.2	418.4	589.4	129.9	136.3	158.4	123.6	447.9	286.8	
	Mar. ..	165.0	165.1	432.8	596.4	131.1	136.4	166.3	123.8	440.0	285.2	
	Apr. ..	173.6	174.7	458.8	628.5	133.9	145.4	163.1	124.6	453.6	298.6	
	May ..	179.5	181.0	474.2	679.8	137.6	147.6	153.2	133.0	476.4	322.8	
	June ..	180.5	180.4	469.1	685.1	134.0	142.8	151.4	136.8	474.5	321.7	
<u>Weekly Index</u>	June 3	184.0	184.8	476.6	697.9	135.8	146.8	151.3	141.1	490.4	327.9	
	June 10	178.7	178.4	460.3	677.5	135.5	140.9	149.8	137.4	468.1	319.5	
	June 17	179.4	179.0	460.6	682.4	131.0	142.3	151.1	135.7	474.3	319.1	
	June 24	179.9	179.6	479.0	682.5	133.8	141.4	153.2	132.9	465.2	320.4	

TABLE 14. - INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCK PRICES - Concluded
(1935 - 39 = 100)

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Number of Stocks	INVESTORS' INDEX						MINING INDEX (1)			
	Indus- trial Mines	Total Utili- ties	Trans- porta- tion	Tele- phone	Power and Traction	Banks	Mining Total	Golds	Base Metals	
	(2)	(12)	(2)	(1)	(9)	(8)	(27)	(22)	(5)	
1939	98.9	86.1	56.0	109.3	88.9	102.5	104.5	95.6	121.7	
1940	77.1	80.9	62.5	101.0	80.6	95.6	81.2	73.7	95.6	
1941	69.5	70.7	61.4	96.4	65.8	90.5	72.4	65.1	87.0	
1942	66.5	70.4	65.7	89.2	66.1	81.2	52.3	40.8	75.1	
1943	74.8	101.3	112.8	97.2	99.1	80.5	70.1	61.4	86.8	
1944	69.2	100.8	125.2	100.1	93.3	82.0	81.3	74.1	94.2	
1945	86.9	120.2	178.2	108.8	105.5	95.7	95.2	91.0	101.1	
1946	98.0	132.5	203.5	125.2	114.0	130.0	97.8	87.6	116.1	
1947	90.0	117.3	147.9	117.1	109.1	130.8	86.7	76.0	106.1	
1948	100.5	120.2	180.6	108.3	104.7	129.3	82.0	65.0	115.8	
1949	92.1	117.4	161.6	105.9	109.2	134.4	87.4	71.7	117.9	
1950	98.3	132.5	208.8	103.5	123.7	147.4	89.9	67.4	134.9	
1951	126.0	162.3	325.6	101.4	142.5	144.6	99.2	69.8	166.4	
1952	139.7	168.3	378.6	94.6	139.8	148.4	103.6	73.9	171.5	
1953	118.1	157.2	297.5	99.2	142.4	168.9	92.1	66.2	151.3	
<u>1952</u>	Aug. ..	145.0	169.9	382.4	94.7	142.1	152.4	110.2	77.6	184.9
	Sept. ..	141.2	166.5	367.4	95.0	139.6	155.2	106.6	74.4	180.2
	Oct. ..	132.2	162.1	346.8	94.8	138.1	153.7	99.1	69.5	166.9
	Nov. ..	133.2	165.1	356.1	97.8	137.6	152.9	100.8	71.1	168.8
	Dec. ..	130.3	167.4	363.9	98.4	139.1	155.4	103.4	73.2	172.5
<u>1953</u>	Jan. ..	137.0	167.9	353.6	97.8	146.3	162.0	106.0	73.5	180.6
	Feb. ..	131.0	166.0	341.7	98.1	146.2	164.8	103.2	72.2	174.3
	Mar. ..	129.5	167.7	344.2	100.0	147.0	165.9	101.7	70.1	174.0
	Apr. ..	118.3	161.0	314.0	99.3	144.8	163.0	96.5	69.2	159.0
	May ..	116.4	160.4	307.7	101.1	143.4	166.3	93.8	68.9	150.9
	June ..	116.5	157.5	296.0	101.4	140.9	168.4	90.2	66.8	143.7
	July ..	121.2	157.9	296.4	101.4	141.9	169.1	91.4	66.3	148.9
	Aug. ..	117.7	154.6	281.8	99.3	142.9	171.7	90.7	67.5	144.0
	Sept. ..	109.2	148.1	261.5	95.0	141.5	171.6	85.0	62.5	136.3
	Oct. ..	109.1	149.0	263.2	95.3	142.9	168.5	82.7	60.1	134.3
	Nov. ..	108.4	149.4	255.7	100.4	140.1	175.4	83.7	60.1	137.6
	Dec. ..	103.4	146.4	254.2	101.2	131.4	180.2	79.9	57.3	131.5
<u>1954</u>	Jan. ..	102.7	149.1	265.4	102.5	131.5	185.5	81.9	60.3	131.2
	Feb. ..	103.4	151.9	272.8	103.6	134.0	189.6	83.4	62.1	132.0
	Mar. ..	106.9	153.3	267.0	105.9	137.2	192.5	84.3	61.5	136.5
	Apr. ..	116.0	159.5	280.6	107.8	145.0	195.4	89.3	64.8	145.5
	May ..	118.9	162.4	274.6	110.1	152.6	204.0	89.4	64.4	146.5
	June ..	123.8	167.2	301.6	110.5	151.8	212.2	90.0	63.9	149.7
<u>Weekly Index</u>										
	June 3	126.6	168.4	299.1	110.8	155.9	213.0	90.5	64.1	150.9
	June 10	122.8	166.1	298.9	110.3	150.4	211.1	89.6	64.0	148.2
	June 17	122.3	167.3	305.2	110.3	150.5	211.9	89.9	63.7	150.0
	June 24	123.3	167.0	303.1	110.6	150.3	212.7	90.0	63.9	149.7

(1) Mining Stocks are not included in Investors' Total Index.

TABLE 15. - INDEX NUMBERS OF PREFERRED STOCK PRICES
(1935-39 = 100)

	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
January	157.5	144.5	144.7	152.4	166.0	161.4	161.0	162.6
February	158.5	141.0	144.0	153.0	169.3	160.6	161.6	163.6
March	156.0	138.9	142.8	153.7	166.0	159.5	163.6	165.4
April	153.1	144.2	140.9	154.4	165.2	157.2	161.6	168.0
May	154.3	147.0	139.9	157.3	164.3	157.2	162.9	169.7
June	155.8	148.2	136.3	158.2	162.2	157.7	163.0	170.7
July	155.4	147.5	138.6	154.6	163.1	159.8	163.8	
August	153.5	146.4	140.4	155.6	165.2	163.6	164.3	
September	153.6	144.8	141.8	158.2	166.4	162.4	162.0	
October	152.0	143.7	145.8	161.1	164.2	161.2	161.0	
November	150.2	144.6	150.0	161.1	162.8	160.3	161.6	
December	148.1	144.6	150.7	160.2	159.5	160.7	161.7	
Year	154.0	144.6	143.0	156.7	164.5	160.1	162.3	

TABLE 16. - INDEX NUMBERS OF UNITED STATES STOCK PRICES
Source: Standard and Poor's
(1935-39 = 100)

	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
January	125.2	120.1	121.0	135.1	168.6	186.9	197.6	195.4
February	128.7	114.2	117.2	136.7	174.7	183.2	195.9	199.6
March	123.7	116.4	118.0	138.8	170.3	185.3	198.0	204.9
April	119.3	124.6	118.5	141.8	172.3	183.7	190.0	212.7
May	115.2	130.2	117.7	146.9	173.9	183.7	189.6	219.8
June	119.1	135.1	112.0	147.7	171.7	187.6	182.8	221.8
July	126.0	131.9	117.8	138.2	172.8	192.1	185.5	
August	124.5	127.1	121.8	147.2	181.5	191.1	187.3	
September	123.1	125.7	123.8	151.7	187.3	188.2	179.2	
October	125.1	127.8	127.3	157.8	185.0	183.4	183.4	
November	123.6	120.4	129.1	156.1	177.7	189.8	187.5	
December	122.4	119.4	132.7	158.4	182.5	197.0	190.7	
Year	123.0	124.4	121.4	146.4	176.5	187.7	189.0	

TABLE 17. - INDEX NUMBERS OF GOVERNMENT OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND YIELDS
(1935-39 = 100)

	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
January	84.9	92.1	95.4	90.1	97.9	113.4	118.3	115.0
February	84.7	92.1	95.2	90.3	97.7	113.9	118.8	112.7
March	84.6	96.7	94.7	90.2	104.6	115.1	118.9	104.7
April	84.8	96.5	94.4	90.7	104.9	115.3	118.9	100.2
May	84.6	95.3	94.4	90.2	104.9	112.6	119.6	99.7
June	84.3	95.4	94.4	90.2	105.3	114.0	120.6	99.7
July	83.8	95.6	93.8	91.0	104.7	117.3	120.7	
August	83.9	96.2	92.7	90.5	104.9	119.1	121.0	
September	84.0	96.1	91.8	89.8	105.0	119.6	121.5	
October	84.2	96.3	89.1	92.0	105.7	118.6	120.8	
November	84.4	95.7	89.2	93.9	107.8	117.8	118.8	
December	84.8	95.5	90.3	96.7	112.0	118.0	117.3	
Year	84.4	95.3	93.0	91.3	104.6	116.2	119.6	

TABLE 18. - PRICE INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES AND SERVICES USED BY
FARMERS AND FARM FAMILY LIVING COSTS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Composite Index Exclusive of Living Costs (a)	Equipment and Materials	Taxes and Interest Rates (a)	Farm Wage Rates	Farm Family Living Costs	Composite Index Inclusive of Living Costs (a)
ALL CANADA						
1926	130.6	119.9	135.5	164.5	121.1	126.8
1939	99.3	95.7	101.1	110.3	99.5	99.4
1949 - August	206.5	180.2	138.7	388.1	174.5	193.7
1950 - August	218.6	194.3	144.3	401.2	180.7	203.4
1951 - August	237.8	207.5	151.8	457.3	214.7	228.6
1952 - April	245.2	216.9	161.4	454.2	209.6	230.9
August	245.4	212.5	161.4	471.9	204.5	229.0
1953 - January	233.1	207.7	168.2	408.0	202.6	220.9
April	242.7	208.2	168.2	463.5	203.4	227.0
August	243.6	206.3	168.2	475.8	204.9	228.1
1954 - January	231.0 (r)	204.0	168.2	409.5	204.8	220.6
April	238.0	204.1	168.2	450.8	204.2	224.5
EASTERN CANADA						
1926	129.5	122.8	128.4	151.1	120.2	125.8
1939	98.7	94.8	99.2	110.6	99.5	99.0
1949 - August	210.2	183.0	126.1	376.4	172.6	195.2
1950 - August	220.4	196.1	131.2	382.3	178.3	203.6
1951 - August	241.4	208.0	142.0	441.5	212.8	230.0
1952 - April	247.9	218.2	152.4	432.8	207.9	231.9
August	246.8	211.7	152.4	447.4	202.7	229.2
1953 - January	239.6	208.9	158.7	413.4	200.5	224.0
April	243.3	208.4	158.7	434.0	201.4	226.5
August	244.0	205.2	158.7	447.1	202.4	227.3
1954 - January	237.0 (r)	202.9	158.7	419.2	202.5	223.2
April	237.4	203.5	158.7	419.2	201.5	223.1
WESTERN CANADA						
1926	131.8	117.1	141.6	183.5	121.9	127.8
1939	99.8	96.6	102.7	109.9	99.5	99.7
1949 - August	202.7	177.5	149.4	404.7	176.3	192.1
1950 - August	216.8	192.5	155.4	428.0	183.1	203.3
1951 - August	234.3	207.0	160.2	479.7	216.6	227.2
1952 - April	242.5	215.7	169.0	484.6	211.2	230.0
August	243.9	213.2	169.0	506.8	206.3	228.9
1953 - January	226.6	206.5	176.3	400.4	204.8	217.9
April	242.1	208.1	176.3	505.4	205.3	227.4
August	243.2	207.3	176.3	516.6	207.4	228.9
1954 - January	225.1	205.1	176.3	395.8	207.2	217.9
April	238.6	204.7	176.3	495.7	206.9	225.9

(a) 1954 indexes are subject to revision, since tax and interest rate figures are preliminary. (r) revised.

TABLE 19. - EXCHANGE RATES
(Canadian Dollars)

Nominal quotations based on official parities, or market rates in terms of United States dollars or sterling, converted into Canadian dollars at noon Ottawa time.
Source: Bank of Canada.

Country	Unit	1952	1953	1953	1954		
		Average	Average	June Average	April Average	May Average	June Average
United States	dollar	.9789	.9834	.9944	.9825	.9843	.9813
United Kingdom	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7982	2.7693	2.7748	2.7661
Argentina	peso (free)	.07010	.07079	.07158	.07072	.07085	.07064
Australia	pound	2.1872	2.2133	2.2385	2.2154	2.2198	2.2128
Belgium (1)	franc	.01947	.01969	.01991	.01953	.01960	.01967
Brazil (2)	cruzeiro	.05291	.05314	.05375	.04206	.04214	.04201
Br. West Indies (except Jamaica)	dollar	.5696	.5764	.5829	.5769	.5781	.5763
Ceylon	rupee	.2056	.2075	.2099	.2077	.2081	.2075
Chile	peso (free)	.00908	.00890	.00904	.00893	.00895	.00892
Colombia	peso (basic)	.3916	.3921	.3977	.3930	.3937	.3926
Cuba	peso	.9789	.9834	.9944	.9825	.9843	.9813
Denmark	krone	.1417	.1424	.1440	.1422	.1425	.1421
Egypt	pound	2.8111	2.8239	2.8554	2.8212	2.8266	2.8179
France and North Africa	franc	.00280	.00281	.00284	.00281	.00281	.00281
Germany	deutsche mark	.2331	.2342	.2368	.2339	.2344	.2337
Hong Kong	dollar	.1709	.1729	.1749	.1731	.1734	.1729
India	rupee	.2056	.2075	.2099	.2077	.2081	.2075
Ireland	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7982	2.7693	2.7748	2.7661
Italy	lira	.00157	.00158	.00160	.00158	.00158	.00157
Jamaica	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7982	2.7693	2.7748	2.7661
Japan	yen	.00272	.00273	.00276	.00273	.00273	.00273
Lebanon	pound (free)	.2734	.2872	.2857	.3042	.3074	.3068
Mexico	peso	.1132	.1137	.1150	.0978	.07875	.07851
Netherlands	guilder	.2576	.2588	.2617	.2595	.2601	.2594
New Zealand	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7982	2.7693	2.7748	2.7661
Norway	krone	.1371	.1377	.1392	.1376	.1378	.1374
Pakistan	rupee	.2959	.2972	.3005	.2970	.2975	.2966
Peru	sol-certificate	.06346	.05908	.06172	.05086	.05088	.05077
Philippines	peso	.4895	.4917	.4972	.4912	.4922	.4907
Portugal	escudo	.03412	.03431	.03470	.03429	.03435	.03425
Singapore	dollar	.3190	.3228	.3265	.3231	.3238	.3227
Sweden	krona	.1892	.1901	.1922	.1899	.1903	.1897
Switzerland	franc	.2266	.2293	.2320	.2291	.2297	.2290
Turkey	lira	.3496	.3512	.3551	.3509	.3515	.3505
Union of South Africa	pound	2.7340	2.7666	2.7982	2.7693	2.7748	2.7661
Venezuela	bolivar	.2922	.2936	.2968	.2933	.2938	.2929
Yugoslavia	dinar	.00326	.00328	.00331	.00327	.00328	.00327

For further information please refer to "Foreign Trade" published weekly by the Department of Trade and Commerce.

(1) Includes Belgian Empire and Luxemburg.

(2) Export No. 1, from November, 1953.

TABLE 20. - INDEX NUMBERS OF CONSUMER AND WHOLESALE PRICES
IN CANADA AND OTHER SPECIFIED COUNTRIES

31.

Country	Base Period	1939	1953	1954					
				Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
<u>COST-OF-LIVING INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936 - 1939	182.9	255.0 (c)				262.4		
Canada	1949	63.2	115.5	115.7	115.7	115.5	115.6	115.5	116.1
Denmark	1935	109	220	219			220		
France (Paris)	1949		143.7	143.2	144.1	143.6	142.4	144.2	143.8
India (Bombay)	1933 - 1934	106	363	362					
Italy (Rome)	1938	105 (b)	5,065	5,048	5,099	5,092			
Malaya	January 1949(a)		134	132	130	128			
Mexico	1939	100.0	451.2	446.5	445.4	446.6	449.0	461.9	
Netherlands	1949		120	123	124	124	125		
New Zealand	1st. qtr. 1949	74.8	133.3			137.7			140.0
Norway	1949	63.8	136	137	138	139			
South Africa	1938	99.9	192.4	192.9	193.0	194.0	194.9	194.7	
Sweden	1935	107.5	224.1	224.4	224.6	225.6			
Switzerland	August, 1939		169.8	169.8	169.5	169.4	169.6		
United Kingdom	Jan. 15, 1952		105.8	105.8	105.6	106.6	107.0	106.7	
United States	1947 - 49	59.4	114.4	115.2	115.0	114.8	114.6	115.0	
<u>WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES</u>									
Australia	1936 - 1939	101.1	319 (c)	317					
Canada	1935 - 1939	99.3	220.7	219.8	219.0	218.6	217.9	218.2	217.8
Denmark	1935	118	341	337	340	339	341	342	
France	1949		138.3	137.9	137.8	136.3	136.8	138.9(e)	134.9
India	Sept. '38-Aug. '39		380.6 (d)	398.5	395.0	394.0	402.6		
Italy	1938		5,250	5,286	5,328	5,341			
Mexico	1929	127.0	484.0						
Netherlands	1948		134	135	136	135			
New Zealand	1926 - 1930	107.1	254.6	254.8	249.7	249.0			
Norway	1938	102	276	276	278	279	279		
South Africa	1938	97.6	261.2	262.8	261.8				
Sweden	1935	115	298	296	296	296	297		
Switzerland	August, 1939		212.8	212.5	213.3	213.7	214.5	214.3	
United Kingdom	1930	102.8	327.8	325.7	326.1	328.7	329.7		
United States	1947 - 49	50.1	110.1	110.9	110.5	110.5	111.0(e)	110.9	

All indexes are from official sources

(a) Source - United Nations Monthly Bulletin of Statistics.

(b) Annual average June 1928 = 100 converted to 1938 base.

(c) Average from July 1952 to June 1953.

(d) Average from September 1952 to August 1953.

(e) Revised.

Explanation of Methods Used and Additional Sources for Price Series
Appearing in this Bulletin

PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES, 1949-1952 (VOLUME 23)

The annual report 'Prices and Price Indexes, 1949-1952' (Volume 23) has been released for publication. This report, covering in a comprehensive manner prices and price indexes over the four year period 1949-1952, has, in addition, considerable historical data. In this respect more complete records have been shown for the first time for the Consumer Price Index on the base 1949 = 100 and the Wholesale Price Index on the base 1935-1939 = 100.

Interested users may obtain a copy of this 232 page report by writing to the Dominion Statistician. There is a charge of \$1.50 per copy.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

Canadian Farm Products

The wheat prices used in these indexes are prices currently effective for Manitoba 1, 2 and 3 Northern at Fort William. Participation payments are included and the series revised whenever such figures are announced. For the crop year August 1, 1952 - July 31, 1953 the price was \$1.82 per bushel. The final payment for the 1952-53 crop year was announced February 25, 1954. The initial payment for the current crop year is \$1.40 per bushel.

Commencing August 1, 1949, western oats and barley were brought under control of the Canadian Wheat Board. Prices used for Canadian farm products since that time have been initial payments to farmers with participation payments included whenever they are announced. Final payments for the crop year August 1, 1952 - July 31, 1953 were announced on October 30, 1953 for oats, and on November 19, 1953 for barley.

The Residential Building Materials Price Index (1935-1939 = 100)

This index, which was first published in 1949, was developed to meet the need for a measurement of the price change of that part of housing costs represented by materials. In addition to the composite index which measures the price change of all materials used in residential construction, price indexes are published for nine component material groups. The weights for individual material items and groups of items within the index were based on the estimated material requirement for a national housing target for the year 1946, and the index was calculated on the base 1935-1939 = 100. However, to facilitate comparisons of its movements with those of the new non-residential series, Table 6 shows it arithmetically converted to the base 1949 = 100. Additional information concerning this index may be found in the special bulletin "Price Index Numbers of Residential Building Materials, 1926 to 1948", obtainable for 10 cents on request to the Dominion Statistician.

The Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index (1949 = 100)

A second special purpose price index related to the construction industry titled "Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index" is shown in Table 7. This index has been constructed specifically to measure the price change of materials used in non-residential building construction. It supplements a price index applicable to materials used in residential construction which has been available for some years. The new index has been constructed on the base 1949 = 100, using weights obtained from data on cost of building materials provided by general and trade contractors for a sample of buildings constructed in Canada during the years 1948-1950.

The methods of constructing the index are explained in some detail in D.B.S. Reference Paper No. 43, entitled "Non-Residential Building Materials Price Index, 1935-1952", which was released on August 21, 1953 and which is available for the sum of 25 cents on request to the Dominion Statistician. This publication also comments on the uses and limitations of the index, and provides the total index by years from 1935 to 1952, and by months for the period January 1949-July 1953. Price indexes for twelve principal component material groups have been calculated by months from January 1949 to July 1953 and these indexes are also contained in the above mentioned publication.

RETAIL PRICE INDEXES

Consumer Price Index

Canada's new Consumer Price Index which has been constructed to replace the Cost-of-Living Index was released Oct. 23, 1952 by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The new index marks the fifth in a series of Canadian retail price indexes; it is the most comprehensive retail price index ever constructed for Canada.

While the Consumer Price Index is an entirely new index constructed from post-war expenditure patterns, it serves the same purpose as the Cost-of-Living Index. That is, it measures the average percentage change in retail prices of goods and services bought by a large and representative group of Canadian urban families. The change in title has been made to clarify the fact that the index is a measure of price change and is not affected by changes in standards of living.

In a special report entitled "The Consumer Price Index, January 1949-August 1952,"* the Bureau published an explanation of the construction of the new index and a record of its movements from January 1949 to August 1952. This report contains detailed information on such aspects of the new index as purpose, family coverage, base period, and details of items included as well as their relative importance. It also gives the formula used in calculating the index, outlines methods of price collection and explains special features of the new index, such as the methods of incorporating seasonal variations in food consumption, and changes in the price element of home-ownership costs.

Nineteen forty-nine has been selected as a reference level or base period for the Consumer Price Index for a variety of reasons. It is the most satisfactory post-war reference year, not only for price index comparisons, but also for other economic indicators. In addition, prices during 1949 were relatively stable. Dating from the termination of World War II there has been a steady shift of interest from pre-war to post-war comparisons in all fields of economic activity. Conditions have changed greatly since 1935-1939 and concern with things as they existed at that time has steadily declined. These circumstances are similar to those which led to the abandonment of 1900, 1913, and 1926 as base periods.

The new index is based on goods and services reported purchased during the year ending August 31, 1948 by 1,517 families, representing all Canadian families with the following characteristics: (a) living in 27 Canadian cities with over 30,000 population; (b) ranging in size from two adults to two adults with four children; (c) with annual incomes during the survey year ranging from \$1,650 to \$4,050.

To measure the influence of price change on the cost of goods and services purchased by such families, the Consumer Price Index contains 224 items, nearly 40 per cent more than the Cost-of-Living Index. Additional items have been determined by a purely objective approach to the problem of measuring price movements of

goods and services purchased by families of the type described above. Thus, no attempt has been made to differentiate between "luxuries" and "necessities". This has led to the inclusion of additional items such as margarine, cake mix, chicken, lettuce, chocolate bars, fur coats, children's clothing, fuel oil, electric iron, lawnmower, household help, phonograph records, and carbonated and alcoholic drinks. Included in the Cost-of-Living Index but not given specific representation in the Consumer Price Index are such items as rice, dried beans, prunes, rayon hosiery, coke, oilcloth, and cigars. These items have been omitted because, on average, families did not report purchasing them in significant amounts.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities: Consumer Price Indexes are published monthly in this bulletin for the following cities or city combinations: St. John's, Halifax, Saint John, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Saskatoon-Regina, Edmonton-Calgary and Vancouver. With the exception of the index for St. John's, Newfoundland, which is constructed on the base June 1, 1951 = 100, all indexes are on the base 1949 = 100.

These indexes fulfil the same purpose as the cost-of-living series which they replace, viz.: each index is designed to measure the influence of changes in retail prices taking place in the localities specified upon the cost of a fixed basket of goods and services representing the level of consumption of a representative group of families in those particular areas. They are not designed to show whether it costs more or less to live in one city than another, and should not be used for that purpose.

The regional indexes, with the exception of St. John's, are patterned after the Consumer Price Index for Canada. They are similar to this index in terms of family coverage, item content and weighting system. The construction of each index involved three main phases: 1) the conversion of an existing cost-of-living index from the base August 1939 to the base 1949, up to and including September 1, 1953; 2) the calculation of an entirely new index incorporating a revised weighting system and price sample on the base September 1, 1953 = 100; and 3) the linking of the new series to the converted series as at September 1, 1953 to form a continuous index on the base 1949 = 100.

Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers: The Index of Commodities and Services used by Farmers is designed to measure the change in retail prices of farm operating costs and farm living costs. It is calculated thrice yearly, viz.: January, April and August, and is on the base 1935-39 = 100. For an explanation of methods of construction and an historical record, please refer to "Price Index Numbers of Commodities and Services Used by Farmers, 1913 to 1948 (Revised 1948)." A special bulletin giving total and group index detail is released subsequent to each pricing date.

SECURITY PRICE INDEXES

Price index numbers of industrial, utility, bank and mining common stocks, and preferred stocks are calculated from Montreal and Toronto exchange quotations. The indexes are designed to reflect weekly and monthly changes of interest to the investor, rather than day-to-day changes of more speculative interest. Individual stock prices are weighted by the number of shares outstanding in January of each year. The list is reviewed completely in January of each year, when new series are introduced and series of declining importance are discontinued. The Investors' Index of 99 Common Stocks and the Mining Stocks Index are based on the average of the Thursday closing prices. The Preferred Stock Index is a monthly average of daily quotations.

* Available in French under the title "L'Indice des Prix à la Consommation Janvier 1949 - Août 1952". (These reports obtainable for twenty-five cents each)

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